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Arrests put AC Milan tour in doubt

Felice Colombo, president of AC Milan which will tour Australia in May, was one of 11 people arrested on Sunday on charges of conspiracy to defraud.

Milan's goalkeeper Ricky Albertosi and Giorgio Morini also were arrested. Italy's fraud squad issued arrest warrants for three others who were expected to give themselves up after they had contacted their lawyers. The charges involve an alleged betting ring exposed earlier this month by two illegal bookmakers.

Those held include seven former internationals, three players of Italy's reserve team and a youth international.

In addition, 21 players, among them Perugia striker Paolo Rossi, key man in Italy's hopes for the European Championship final in June, have been ordered to appear before magistrates to answer questions on their possible involvement.

On March 1, the two illegal bookmakers named 27 players they said had taken bribes but had failed to deliver the results.

The fraud squad has spent months investigating what it believes to be a secret attempt to fix

the results of football matches in advance, to defraud the national football pools system. Huge sums of money are said to be involved.

AC Milan's tour of Australia was confirmed last week, but the bribery scandal has thrown it into doubt again.

The team is scheduled to arrive in Sydney on May 13. Its matches are:

May 16 v NSW at Sydney Cricket Ground; May 21 v Victoria at Olympic Park; May 24 v ACT at Bruce Stadium, Canberra; May 28 v South Australia at Hindmarsh Stadium; May 31 v Western Australia in Perth. Milan will tour without Alberto Collovati, Aldo

Maldera and Walter Buriani, who are training with the Italian national team for the European finals.

The tour is sponsored by a group of Adelaide businessmen headed by Ted Giuliano and Joe Macri.

Among the players arrested in Italy was Lazio captain Giuseppe Wilson, along with his team mates Bruno Giordano, Massimo Cacciatori and Lionello Manfredonia.

Avellino striker Stefano Pellegrini was arrested after his team had played Cagliari in a First Division match.

In Rome, Perugia players Alberto Zecchina and Della Martira were arrested.

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Manecas and Maricic in, Boyle out!

By LAURIE SCHWAB

West Adelaide outmanoeuvred Adelaide City to sign State player Zoran Maricic, the great Manecas finally arrived and Peter Boyle asked for a transfer in an eventful week for South Australian soccer.

With Maricic playing as sweeper and Manecas in attack, West Adelaide beat South Melbourne 1-0 with a

goal by young George Koulianos to wipe out the memory of its 2-4 loss in Heidelberg the previous week.

But Adelaide City, which had appeared certain to sign Maricic from State League club Campbelltown last Thursday, crashed to the bottom of the Phillips League ladder after losing 6-1 to Canberra City at Bruce Stadium.

The Maricic affair is likely further to strain relations between West Adelaide and Adelaide City. Their former friendship cooled when City signed West centre back David Jones during the off season.

And despite the euphoria surrounding the signing of Maricic and Manecas, not everything is rosy at West Adelaide.

Boyle, one of the best players over the first three seasons of the Phillips League, has demanded a transfer after failing to come to financial terms with the club.

Boyle said this week the club offered him a new contract on \$3000 a year paid in three instalments. He wanted money in advance, as the deposit on a house, but West Adelaide refused.

Boyle said he also was unhappy with the new match payment arrange-



Manecas

ments under which the players get no money for a loss. Instead, their draw and win bonuses have been increased — to \$100 for a home draw, \$150 for a home win and \$200 for a win.

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Essendon Croatia goalkeeper Peter Blasby flies in vain as a shot from George Malcolm puts Frankston Pines ahead 1-0 in their Dockerty Cup match last Sunday. Croatia recovered to win 2-1. See page 9. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

AJAX, REAL FOR FINAL?

From
JIM COOK

Ajax, Real Madrid, Hamburg or Nottingham Forest — which team will win the 1980 European Cup?

It's an impressive line-up of semi-finalists, with no firm favorite.

Hamburg, with Keegan, goalkeeper Kargus and international Kaltz, is one of the strongest teams in the world, but it lost its quarter-final 2-3 to Hajduk and scraped in only on the away-goal rule.

The draw for the semi-finals of the three European club competitions:

EUROPEAN CUP
Nottingham Forest v. Ajax Amsterdam
Real Madrid v. Hamburg SV
CUP WINNERS' CUP
Nantes v. Valencia
Arsenal v. Juventus

UEFA CUP
Bayern Munich v. Eintracht Frankfurt
VfB Stuttgart v. Borussia Mönchengladbach
First-leg matches in the home and away ties will be played on April 9 and second-leg games on April 23.
The UEFA Cup final will be in two legs, the first on May 7 and the second on May 21.
The Cup Winners' Cup final will be in Brussels on May 14 and the European Cup final in Madrid on May 28.

Similarly, Forest boasts million-dollar man Trevor Francis and international Birles, Robertson, Burns, Stilton,

Anderson, Gray, O'Neill and Bowles but lost at home to Dynamo Berlin. It won the away leg of the quarter-final 3-1, but that home defeat indicated chinks in Forest's armour.

Ajax has been the top scorer of the European Cup, beating Omonia Nicosia 10-0 and HJK Helsinki 8-1. Lerby hit five against the Cypriots and Blanker got four against the Finns.



Laurie Cunningham (Real Madrid)

Its 4-0 quarter-final victory against Racing Strasbourg of France, after a scoreless first leg, reinforced Ajax's reputation but the team hasn't been in great form in the Dutch

league, although it holds a commanding lead there.

Dick Schoenaker, Frank Arnesen, Soeren Lerby and Tscheu La Ling scored against Strasbourg, raising Ajax hopes of regaining the Cup it won three times in the early seventies when Ruud Krol still had Johan Cruyff as a team mate.

Real Madrid also enters the semis in fine form. It lost the first-leg quarter-final match to Celtic 0-2 in Glasgow but came back strongly to win 3-2 at home.

Celtic defended stoutly in Madrid but the superstars of Real were irrepresible.

3 Million-dollar man Laurie Cunningham and Santillana form a deadly two-man striking force, backed by the brilliant Del Bosque, Angel Camacho and West German international Uli Stielike.

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We're no death adders, Mr. Brigham

A statement attributed to a leading official of an Australian Rules club in Melbourne stands as one of the greatest insults to soccer that I have read.

Mr. Ron Brigham, secretary of the Brunswick Football Ground, was quoted as saying he was "not a great friend of soccer," but that Brunswick would sub-let its ground to Juventus.

"... I would walk hand-in-hand with a death adder to save Brunswick," he was quoted as saying.

He went on to say that Brunswick needed Juventus, for without the soccer club, the football club would die.

And he stressed that Brunswick was sub-letting, not sharing the ground, Gillon Oval, in Victoria Street.

Are we living back in the 15th century? I thought we had entered an enlightened age in which all sports can co-exist in friendship — not as warring death adders.

Soccer has made its mistakes over the years, God knows. But I would be just as critical of a soccer administrator who referred to Australian Rules in this way.

Juventus has a great and proud tradition in soccer and in the community. It doesn't need the Brunswick Football club in order to survive, so Brunswick is lucky that Juventus doesn't tell it simply to go to hell.

As a coach, I feel proud to be developing sportsmen. The fact that they play soccer is secondary. So it should be in all areas of sport.

Jack Mihocck, one of my juniors when I was at Footscray J.U.S.T., went on to play Australian Rules with Essendon and no-one was happier than I that he had succeeded as a top sportsman.

Would Mr. Brigham feel the same way were a son of his to switch to soccer?

In the 100 years the sport has been played in

Australia, soccer has as much to be proud of as any other sport.

Internationally, it has achieved much more than Australian Rules, meaning its exponents at top level have had the honor to act as sports ambassadors on behalf of Australia.

To continue referring to soccer in beligerent terms, as Mr. Brigham did, is quite unreasonable.

Does he deny the valuable community work that soccer clubs have done in caring for thousands and thousands of boys within their districts? Ringwood City, Altona, South Melbourne, Hellas, Croydon, Mooroolbark, Sunshine, Green Gully, Albion Rovers, and so many others, represent the interests of an ever-increasing number of boys who love to play the game.

I wish people in all sports would return to the true spirit of sport, regardless of which particular code they represent.

Maybe then there wouldn't be the need for helmets like the one modelled by Australian Rules footballer Ray Shaw on the same page as the offending article about Mr. Brigham.

I predicted some weeks ago that South Melbourne Hellas would be the dark horse of the Philips League.

Indeed, the first two results achieved by Hellas indicated that John Margaritis' boys are on the way up.

And that's good news for soccer in general, for when Hellas is playing well, the stadiums are packed.

Clubs will grow to fear Hellas this year. The Melbourne team has great talent, lots of experience and also fast, aggressive young players.

After watching the Adelaide City v. Brisbane City game, I am more convinced than ever that we need independent timekeepers.

Even the best referee — in this case Don Campbell — cannot keep track of every break, every act of deliberate time-wasting.

I therefore will submit to the PSL a recommendation that the referee's inspector at each PSL game be appointed the timekeeper and that he signal half time and full time.

MCCARTHY TO RICHMOND

Victorian First Division club Richmond has made the scoop signing of Western Suburbs midfielder Ian McCarthy.

McCarthy is the man to help Richmond through its first season 'upstairs' after winning promotion from the Second Division last season.

He is a tireless worker in midfield, and has given solid service to Sunshine City, Melbourne, Green Gully Ajax and Western Suburbs.

Goalkeeper Joe Kiss also has joined Richmond from Western Suburbs in a package deal with McCarthy.

The acquisition of McCarthy and Kiss takes to five the number of ex-Melbourne players at Richmond.

The others are Johnny Wallace, Slavko Viscic and Mike Manson. Richmond got itself into hot water in its bid to sign Ringwood City defender Gary Groenewald.

Ringwood City accused Richmond of approaching Groenewald and training him with the first team squad without Ringwood's permission.

As a result, the VSF fined Richmond \$50. However, Richmond maintains it broke no rules.

Knox City goalkeeper Fred Schul was training with Richmond, but the club decided to sign the younger Kiss for the position.

Alex Marshall, the former Hakoah and Moreland forward, is on the transfer list at Richmond.

He can be contacted on (b) 459 7312 or (h) 459 4020.



Ian McCarthy



West Adelaide recruit Zoran Maricic (standing, third from left) with the Yugoslav select squad and Red Star Belgrade at Olympic Park early this year. Red Star won 8-2. Standing from left: Jim Kondorics, Zoran Ilioski, Zoran Maricic, Chris Petrov, Mike Milovanovic, Aleksander Stojanovic, Milen Jovin, Steve Potter, Ivan Jurisic, Dennis Boland, Miro Rujovic, Zlatko Krmpotic, Dragan Milekovic, Tom Mihajlovic, Nedeljko Milosavljevic. Front: Ivan Jurisic, Mendo Ristovski, Dusan Savic, Igor Hasabent, Vladimir Petrovic, Rade Jovicic, Slobodan Jovanovic, Zdravko Lujic, Dusan Nikolic, Daut Ujesenovic, Cvjetko Blagojevic.

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Maricic links up with the 'Black Panther'.

From page one

Boyle said the other West Adelaide players had agreed to the new scale of payment but hinted that there may still be discontent among some of them.

He denied he was leaving because he was unhappy with having been shifted by coach Gerry Chaddi from midfield to attack. "I would play in goal if Gerry wanted me to," he said.

Boyle, 28, who played for Clyde in Scotland, does not want to leave South Australia because he has a good job as a metalurgist.

"But I don't think West would let me go to Adelaide City, due to the rivalry between the clubs," he said.

"I'm willing to play in the State League, but that would be impossible if they put an exorbitant transfer fee on me.

"I cost West nothing when I came from Scotland three years ago, so anything more than a nominal fee would be unreasonable. I would appeal."

Maricic, 22, was expected last Thursday to join Adelaide City under an arrangement that would make Campbelltown virtually a junior nursery for City.

And City was all set to release players not required for its senior team to Campbelltown.

But negotiations broke down, and Maricic joined West Adelaide instead.

The transfer fee is reported to have been \$12,000. Adelaide City had offered about \$4000 plus two replacement players from among its reserves.

"Rale Rasic (Adelaide City coach) approached me a few weeks ago and although I made a verbal agreement with him, there was no firm commitment," Maricic said this week.

"West Adelaide approached me last Thursday, after I had

trained with Adelaide City the previous night, and West's approach was more positive.

"I looked at the West Adelaide squad and was impressed by coach Gerry Chaddi's plan to build a team around youngsters. I agree with his plan and I think West Adelaide probably has a better future than Adelaide City."

Maricic, a schoolteacher, expressed his appreciation for the help Campbelltown coach Bob D'Ottavi had given him.

"It is Bob who inspired me. He always had my interests at heart," Maricic said.

Maricic grew with State League club Boegred, and transferred to Campbelltown early last year for \$6000.

He represented South Australia against Red Star, Vardar and Czechoslovakia and was on the bench against Partizan Belgrade and A.E.K. Athens.

Maricic won the "Advertiser" award as best player in West Adelaide's 1-0 victory over South Melbourne but it was Manecas the crowd had come to see.

Manecas was used in attack alongside John Kosmina and Graham Honeyman, but he now will join Shraga Topolanski and Eric Carruthers in midfield.

He is sure to be one of Australia's finest players this year.

Manecas, 27, the "Black Panther," left his home in Angola at the age of 19 to join Sporting Lisbon in Portugal. After that he switched to Académico and then to Beira Mar, where he was captain for the past three years.

He scored four goals in five guest games with Sydney City in 1977 but the club decided not to keep him as Beira Mar had asked for a transfer fee of \$20,000.

West Adelaide paid much less than that — about \$3,000.

\$646,000 DEAL

Manchester City have agreed to sell striker Stuart Lee and Scottish international defender Willie Donachie to the North American soccer league club Portland Timbers for \$646,000.



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Reilly back at Juventus

Juventus (Vic.) coach Manny Poulakakis has begun his rebuilding programme in earnest.

After a quiet start to his job at Juventus, Poulakakis is almost certain to sign defenders Peter Donaldson from Green Gully Ajax and Alex Nelson from Ringwood Utd.

And in a bigger move, Poulakakis has persuaded World Cup goalkeeper Jack Reilly to recommence training with the club.

At the same time, Poulakakis has transfer-listed defender Peter Vaughan and midfielder Carlos Berbia, and there is some doubt about the future of full back Serge Sabadini.

These moves are the first major changes implemented by Poulakakis since he started his two-year \$30,000 contract with Juventus in late February.

Donaldson, who was sacked by Green Gully a fortnight ago, will join Juventus on a free transfer. Nelson's transfer fee is believed to be about \$1,200.

Nelson, who played with Heidelberg Utd before joining Fourth Division Ringwood Utd, was on trial with Preston Macedonia this month.

The future of Reilly was in the balance but there is now a good chance he will re-sign with Juventus for the 1980-season.

Sabadini had a dispute with the club over his contract, and at this stage his future is up in the air. However, there is a chance he will continue with Juventus.

Vaughan is a former centre half of Mooroolbark Utd and South Melbourne.

Poulakakis said he still was interested in signing players for his squad.

"But I'm happy with my two forwards Bobby McGuinness and George Gulliam," he said. "They are both working very hard and

LOCAL FANS SHOULD LEARN FROM SCOTS

I've set my sights on winning a Phillips League championship medal, and by damn, I'll get one!

The championship success might come this season, in 1981 or perhaps the season after but make no mistake, Adelaide City will lift the title in the next few seasons.

I'm determined to be a part of Australia's No. 1 team before I give the game away and I'm confident I'll do it with Adelaide City.

If the club were riding high in top position, maybe then our supporters would get right behind us.

The Adelaide City fans are so hard to please and I've been disappointed with them over the past couple of seasons.

It seems no matter what the players do, they are never totally behind us. I can remember games in which the players have run their hearts out, played some good football and won by a couple of goals — but still the fans found something to complain about.

I was really annoyed after the Phillips Cup final which was played at Adelaide City's home ground, the Olympic Sports Field, last season.

St George had a 2-0 lead over us at half time and things didn't look too good at all. It could have got worse, for St George missed a good chance just after the break.

But the players fought back and Adelaide City managed to win 3-2 to carry off the club's first trophy in the PSL.

But were the fans happy? The ones I spoke to were scornful, saying we were lucky to win and didn't deserve the Phillips Cup.

That sort of thing hurts the players because we want the fans behind us. If only the supporters knew what a tremendous boost it is to have people cheering for you.

It doesn't affect me so much, because I've been around a while and know how to build myself up for a game.

However, a bit of cheering would give the younger players more confidence and they would lift their game as a result.

Adelaide City's supporters were good to the team in 1977 when we were right in the hunt for the championship but the past two years haven't been as good.

I hope the City fans get behind the team this year in the chase for the league title, because supporters are an important part of a team.

When I played with Glasgow Celtic, the fans were tremendous. I played in five of the record-breaking nine consecutive championships, and effort which was helped by the supporters.

I think many people recognise Scottish supporters as the most devoted and vocal in the world.

It would be wonderful if Adelaide City's fans could match the enthusiasm of the supporters in Scotland.

I will never forget the wild scenes I witnessed when I was in Scotland on holiday in 1978.

The Scottish national team was leaving for the World Cup finals in Argentina and you wouldn't believe the send-off the team was given.

From the team's headquarters to the airport was a 20-mile trip by bus, and fans packed the roadside along the entire route, waving banners and flags.

It was an amazing sight. Earlier the players had paraded at Hampden Park in front of 60,000 fans.

As a Scot, I'm compelled to defend my country's performance in the 1978 World Cup finals.

Much has been written about the players supposedly booing and taking drugs, while



By DIXIE DEANS

On the Ball

The Player's Viewpoint



WILLIE JOHNSTON: Of the notorious Johnston drug incident, Dixie Deans says: "Top players all over the world are using harmless pick-me-ups. Johnston was the only one unlucky enough to get caught."

nging about bonus payments and not having respect for manager Ally McLeod.

But there's not a word of truth in it. The whole thing was blown right out proportion after the unfortunate Willie Johnston drug incident.

Johnston was found to have used a stimulant drug, but top players all over the world are using harmless 'pick-me-ups.' Johnston was the only one unlucky enough to get caught.

Because of that incident, the team spirit was shattered, and Scotland's bid for the World Cup was over.

Of course, there was no excuse for losing to Peru in the opening game. Perhaps the players were over-confident but that result and the 1-1 draw against Iran in the next match were disastrous.

Ally McLeod is a friend of mine and I have great respect for him as a soccer coach. However, I do think he made a mistake in shooting off his mouth.

His predictions that Scotland would win the World Cup put enormous pressure on the players and this is one reason they didn't perform at their best in the finals.

Another fault of McLeod was that he perhaps was too close to his players. He treated them as friends, a situation which can cause trouble in the high pressure of international soccer.

I was disappointed Scotland didn't do better, but our win over Holland in the final match proved the Scots have the ability. Scotland has produced many great players, but unfortunately they haven't been able to get together.

Coming together is what Adelaide City must do this season. The club has many fine players, and is capable of winning the league if we all pull together.

Last season injuries pre-

vented Adelaide City from working into a tight unit. There were several players out with injuries, and this upset the balance.

I have great respect for Rale Rasic as a coach, and know he has the ability to form a strong team.

I missed many games with a hamstring injury, but I've fully recovered from that now.

But still I've been dogged by nagging complaints, the latest being a wrist injury suffered against Brisbane City in Adelaide in round two.

I'm starting my fourth season with Adelaide City, and I'm quite content to finish my playing days in Australia.

I originally came here on a five-month contract in 1977, after playing with Luton Town in England.

At the time, I had a few offers from Scottish clubs but wasn't happy with them. I thought of playing Europe or even in the U.S., and Australia was the last place I was thinking about.

Carmen Picarello sent a message to me and after discussing the matter, I agreed to join Adelaide City. I haven't regretted the move, and now my family is happily settled in Adelaide.

At first, the standard of soccer was pretty average, but there has been great improvement in the PSL since 1977.

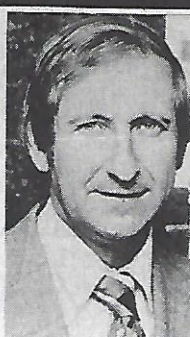
In 1977, there was a big gap between the top and bottom teams, and Adelaide City had some big wins, including a 10-3 victory over Mooroolbark.

Now the league is much more competitive, and no games are foregone conclusions. Of course, Marconi's thrashing of the 'new boys' Blacktown is an exception, but it will take Blacktown a while to reach the same standard as other teams.

Australian soccer is still a long way behind the rest of the world, and there are a few areas in which improvement would help the game tremendously.

Firstly, I think Australia needs to import more top players, although the authorities have placed restrictions on this.

Top European players lift the overall standard of play, as



ALLY McLEOD: "His predictions that Scotland would win the World Cup put enormous pressure on the players and this is one reason they didn't perform at their best in the finals."

well as helping local players coming into the big leagues.

If these youngsters have an experienced professional to learn from, their game will benefit.

There is an even greater shortage of top coaches. From what I can see, there is barely a handful of top coaches in the country.

It will be hard to change this situation. Top coaches in Europe wouldn't want to leave the big time to coach in Australia.

The only answer is to work on producing better coaches from players already in Australia.

I'm not thinking about coaching yet, because I think I can keep playing for a good few seasons yet. Goalscoring is a knack, and I haven't lost the knack of putting the ball into the back of the net.

I've scored over 250 goals in my career and there's a good number of goals left in me. If I have my way, those goals will help Adelaide City become Australia's No. 1 club.



A group of enthusiastic Scottish fans — so much more loyal than those of Adelaide City, says Dixie Deans.



TOM ANDERSON

Melbourne deserves final

I'll probably be doomed and ostracised in New South Wales for evermore, but I've got to say it — the final of the 1981 World Youth Championships must surely be played at Olympic Park, Melbourne.

Anyone who fails to admit that Olympic Park is the best soccer ground in Australia must have rocks in his head.

Olympic Park is a natural soccer ground and has a big match atmosphere no other ground in Australia can come near to.

And believe me, I know — as a player, a coach and a pressman.

I think that the opening ceremony for these championships should be held at the Sydney Cricket Ground under the magnificent floodlights, which rate with the best in the world.

But the final should go to Melbourne.

For years and years we have been crying out for a decent football ground — any code — in Sydney, with no success.

The SCG is a cricket ground and will never be a football ground in a million years.

The natural football ground in Sydney — The Sports Ground, is ancient and inadequate for a World Youth Championship final, even though the playing surface is magnificent.

Nothing will convince me that Olympic Park is not the place for the final next year and I think that the FIFA officials who visited here think likewise.

However, the final decision lies in the hands of the ASF, the organising body; and anything can happen — and probably will.

The wise men who control the Phillips League could have made a big boo boo when they relegated Sydney Olympic at the end of last season.

For Olympic is stronger than ever, it showed when it defeated Croatia 1-0 in the Ampol Cup final at the Sports Ground last Friday night.

Also, the crowd of nearly 9,000 that turned up to watch this match would have most Sydney PSL clubs green with envy.

Another big factor is that Olympic's social club is now operating with greater success than ever and Olympic is financially sound.

I am now more convinced than ever that it

was a great mistake to relegate Sydney Olympic.

Just to remind you of the facts — Olympic did not finish last in the PSL and the team promoted — Blacktown City — finished only in third place in the State League last season.

Also Olympic went out on a limb last year to help national coach Rudi Gutendorf and heeded the ASF's cry to give youngsters a go.

Olympic included more young players in its line-up than any other PSL team.

The result — a hefty kick in the teeth from the powers that be!

But all that history now and Olympic is looking to the future.

The club is adamant it will do well in the Coca-Cola State League and is hell-bent on winning the competition.

And this, if the club is successful, plus its win in the Ampol Cup, will give it the credentials for a return to the PSL.

But the big question of course is — will Olympic be accepted back into the fold?

All the PSL clubs want Olympic back — or most of them do.

But the contentious point is that the clubs do not run their own competition. The ASF does!

Which all adds up to more fireworks at the end of the season.

It's great to see ASF secretary Brian Le Fevre back on deck again after his illness.

Maybe now things at the ASF will get back on an even keel again.

For let's face it, when the popular Le Fevre is not on duty, the organisation at ASF offices leaves much to be desired.

What Le Fevre needs is an assistant who can take some of the work load off him.

What is needed is another professional like Le Fevre.

The thought of the week goes to some of our clubs with falling attendances. "The good old days were when a soccer game was something that got people outdoors."

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PHILIPS LEAGUE TEAM OF WEEK

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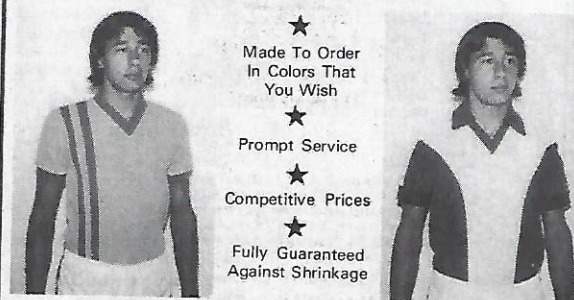
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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

WEST ADELAIDE 1 SOUTH MELBOURNE 0 at Hindmarsh. Ratings by Mervyn Toutsidis:

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 8 — McGregor 7, Maric 8, Totiskas 7, Bozanic 7 — Atsales 7, Topolanski 8, Carruthers 7 (Koulianos) — Manecas 8, Kosmina 8, Honeyman 7.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets 8 — V. Bannan 8, Xanthopoulos 7, Blair 7, Lutton 7 — Rogers 7, Wright 7 (Kalafatis), Christopoulos 8 — Campbell 7, Evans 7, Buljevic 8.

CANBERRA CITY 1 ADELAIDE CITY 0, at Bruce Stadium, ratings by Peter Windsor:

CANBERRA: Hozowski 7 — Moulis 8, R. O'Shea 7, Stark 9, Milovanovic 8 — McLaren 7, J. O'Shea 7, Williams 7 — Brennan 7, Valeri 7, Giampaolo 8.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 8 — Dodds 7 (Russell 5th), Jones 8, Perin 8, B. Nyskohus 6 — Muniz 7, Marocchi 7, Melta 7 — J. Nyskohus 7, Muir 6, Northcote 7 (Smythe 73rd).

FOOTSCRAY JUST 3 BRISBANE LIONS 1 at Middle Park.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 6 — Hazabent 7, Kondarios 8, O'Reilly 8, Petrov 8 — Jovanovic 8, Piccione 8, Rujovic 8 (Vasic 62nd), Ollerton 6 (Iloski 7, 54th) — Belic 7, Lujic 9.

BRISBANE LIONS: Lownds 8 — Ontong 6, Bennett 7, Hermiston 8, Niven 6 — Wilson 5 (Hogg 70th), Lindsay 7, Millman 9, McGregor 6 — Reid 5 (Amos 70th), Hughes 7.

BLACKTOWN 1 NEWCASTLE 1 at Gabbie Stadium. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

BLACKTOWN: James 7, Harris 6, Turnbull 8, Stowell 6, Pointer 8 (Campbell), Harding 6, Ortega 8, Dalton 7, Hunter 7 (Amey 75th), Fisher 6, Wilkinson 6.

NEWCASTLE UTD: Preston 7, Reaney 7, Summerscales 6, Drinkwater 6, Curran 7, Hayes 7, Senkalski 6 (Mason 62nd), Jones 6 (Burrows 75th), Sneddon 6, Trenter 8, Tredinnick 8.

LEICHHARDT 2 MARCONI 2 at Lambert Park. Ratings by Roger Sherack.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 9, Skellern 7, Dempsey 9, Wilson 7, McGinn 8, Bradley 7 (McAusland — 60th), Pullen 7, O'Donnell 7, Samuels 7 (Morsello 75th), Stone 7, O'Connor 7.

MARCONI: Maher 8, Brogan 7, Prskalo 7, Mariani 7 (Russell 7 — 25th), Degney 7, Byrne 8, Raskopoulos 7, Vieri 8, Jankovic 8, Kmcovic 8, Shame 8.

SYDNEY CITY 1 HEIDELBERG 1 at the Sydney Sports Ground. Ratings by Tom Anderson:

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 8 — Soumess 7, O'Connor 8, Spanos 8, Bruce 7 — Stevenson 7, Watson 9 (Marcus Silva 80th), Bames 7 (Mullen 60th) — Boden 7, Borges 6, Hilton Silva 6.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 8 — McMillan 7, Yzendoorn 8, P. Bannan 6, Tansey 8 — Rooney 9, Selemidis 8, Campbell 7 — Bozakis 7, Cole 7, Paton 6.

BRISBANE CITY 0 ST. GEORGE 1 at Perry Park. Ratings by Bruce Waddell.

CITY: Wishart 8 — Caldwell 5 (Tripp 46th, 6) Potter 7, Ratcliffe 8, Wilkinson 9 — Perry 8, Coyne 6, Gaffney 6 — Palinkas 8, Kelso 6, Low 6 (Brusasco 46th, 6).

ST. GEORGE: Smith 8 — Groomer 7 (Hadley 72nd) Ujesenovic 8, Mcintosh 9, Terry 8 — Kay 7, Katholos 9, Davies 8 — Duarte 6 (Fenoughy 55th, 6), Beggs 8, Griffiths 8.

Leading averages:

- 9.0 Stark (Can).
- 8.7 V. Bannan (SM).
- 8.3 Watson (SC, Laumets (SM), Kmcovic (Marc), Turnbull (Black).
- 8.0 Crook, Topolanski, Maric, Manecas (WA), Spanos, Clarke (SC), Davidson (SM), Kondarios, O'Reilly, Jovanovic, Lujic (Foots), Ujesenovic (St.G), Yzendoorn, Tansey, Selemidis (H'berg), Moulis, Milovanovic (Can), Hermiston (BL), Wishart, Wilkinson (BC), Pointer (Black).

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TOP SCORER'S AWARD

A return trip for one to Europe, courtesy of Goldair, for the 1980 top scorer in the Philips League. In case of a tie, goals in Philips Cup games will be taken into account. The air ticket is non-transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash.

Newcastle boys off to Europe

The Newcastle Junior Soccer Association will send a "Newcastle Invitation" XI overseas in September for matches in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Hungary and Holland.

Most of the players will have their 16th birthdays this year and the tour will cost each player \$200.

The 16 players are from the Newcastle area, the NSW Central Coast and one is from Coffs Harbour.

In other years the Northern NSW Junior Soccer Association under 15 representative team has been overseas in the season following its selection. The 1978 team toured the United States last year. But

because of a change in the association's constitution the plan to send the under 15 team of 1979 to Germany was cancelled.

The Newcastle Junior Soccer Association, recognising that such overseas tours are of great value to young players, sought permission for the tour to proceed. It was readily given and now the lads, and their parents and friends, are raising money for the tour. It will not only mean matches

against strong opposition but also attendance at clinics and coaching classes.

A number of organisations are arranging fund-raising functions — some bowling clubs are organising special competitions to help the fund — and business houses are giving prizes for raffles.

The team's German-born coach, Rudi Sporrer, said he has no doubt that the tour will go ahead as scheduled.

The boys did well when they represented Northern NSW in the 1979 Australian under 15 championship series in Perth" he said. "Eight of the team were also members of the Newcastle representative team which won the 1979 Northern NSW championship without losing a match."

Mr Sporrer said he planned to study the latest European coaching methods to help improve the already high standard of junior soccer in Northern NSW.

He said that, during the five-week tour, the team will play matches against German teams in Frankfurt, Dusseldorf, Bremen, Marburg, Darmstadt and Munich and in Switzerland, Austria, Hungary and Holland. — JACK MATTHEWS

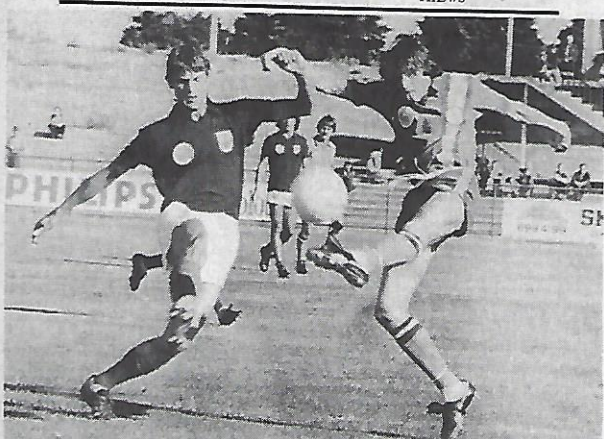
Taiwan fights

The International Football Federation (FIFA) executive has decided to take its dispute with Taiwan soccer authorities over membership of the world body to the organisation's congress.

The executive committee, has decided to ask FIFA's congress of member associations in Zurich next July 7 to give its judgment on an order to Taiwan last October to change the Association's name, flag and anthem as a condition for remaining a member alongside Mainland China.

Taiwan soccer authorities, in a letter dated February 4, rejected FIFA's orders. They cited Article Two of FIFA's statutes, which includes a paragraph forbidding discrimination against a country for political reasons, and said the order violated FIFA's.

The FIFA committee also revoked the suspension of Rhodesia imposed by the congress after the territory unilaterally declared its independence from Britain in 1965.



Brisbane Lions midfielder Tom McGregor (right) gives it all he's got. Igor Hazebeht of Footscray tries in vain to prevent the shot. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

HEIDELBERG WANTS HELP FROM HELLAS

South Melbourne Hellas will decide whether or not Heidelberg shoots to the top of the Philips League ladder on Sunday.

Heidelberg should have little trouble beating Blacktown City at Olympic Park on Sunday, despite Blacktown's improved form.

That would give Heidelberg six points.

Sydney City, the present leader, has five points, and it meets South Melbourne Hellas at Middle Park at the same time as the Heidelberg v Blacktown match.

Raul Blanco's St George, in the top four after beating Brisbane City, will be put to a solid test by Canberra City at St George Stadium. A victory here would indicate that Saints are serious in their bid for honours.

Sunday's games, with likely winners and previous form:

IN MELBOURNE
HEIDELBERG UNITED v Blacktown City at Olympic Park, 3 pm. No previous results as Blacktown is in its first PSL season.

South Melbourne v Sydney City (draw) at Middle Park, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 — SM 1-0, 0-0; 1978 — SM 3-0, 0-0; 1979 — SC 2-1, 2-0. Advantage: SM on goals: 2 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses, goals: 5-4.

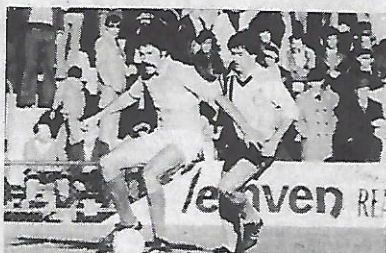
IN BRISBANE
Brisbane Lions v WEST ADALADE at Perry Park, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1977 — WA 4-1, 5-1; 1978 — WA 3-0, BL 1-0; 1979 — WA 1-0, 3-2. Advantage: West Adelaide 5 wins, 1 loss, goals: 16-5.

IN NEWCASTLE
Newcastle KB United v APIA LEICHHARDT at International Sports Centre, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 — Newc 3-1, 1-0, Advantage Newcastle 2 wins, 0 losses, goals: 4-1.

IN SYDNEY
MARCONI v Brisbane City at Marconi Stadium, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — Marc 1-0, 1-0; 1978 — Marc 3-2, 3-0; 1979 — Marc 4-3, 3-3. Advantage: Marconi 5

wins, 1 draw, goals: 15-8.
St George v Canberra City (draw) at St George Stadium, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — St Geo. 2-0, 2-2; 1978 — St Geo. 2-1, 1-1; 1979 — Can 4-2, 1-1. Advantage: St George 2 wins, 3 draws, 1 loss, goals: 10-9.

IN ADELAIDE
Adelaide City v Footscray (draw) at Olympic Sports Field, Sunday 2.30 pm. Previous results, 1977 — AC 4-1, 4-3; 1978 — F 1-0, AC 1-0; 1979 — AC 2-0, F 2-1. Advantage: Adelaide City 4 wins, 2 losses, goals: 12-7.



Steve O'Connor (left) of Sydney City, with Jim Campbell of Heidelberg. The teams drew 1-1 last Sunday.

Valencia, Juventus look good

From page one

In short, Ajax and Real Madrid look the best bets purely on recent form, but there's no denying that Notts Forest and Hamburg are equally as good.

The UEFA Cup has turned into purely a West German affair, with VfB Stuttgart, Eintracht Frankfurt, Borussia Moenchengladbach and Bayern Munich qualifying for the semi-finals.

Bayern Munich is running hot in the West German Bundesliga but Moenchengladbach showed fantastic form in winning its quarter-final against St. Etienne 2-0 at home and 4-1 away.

Valencia, featuring Mario Kempes of Argentina, and Rainer Bonhof of West Germany, snatched an ex-

citing 4-3 victory over Barcelona, to add to its 1-4 victory in the first leg.

This made Valencia equal favorite with Juventus to win the Cup winners' Cup.

The other semi-finalists are Arsenal and Nantes.

EUROPEAN CUP
In Madrid: REAL MADRID (Spain) 3, CELTIC (Scotland) 0 (Half-time 1-0)

Real won 3-2 on aggregate

1 Split: HAJDUK SPLIT (Yugoslavia) 3 HAMBURG (West Germany) 2 (Half-time 1-2)

Aggregate 3-3: Hamburg won on away-goal rule

In East Berlin: DYNAMO BERLIN (East Germany) 2 NOTTINGHAM FOREST (England) 3 (Half-time 0-3)

Nottingham won 3-2 on aggregate

In Amsterdam: AJAX AM-

STERDAM (Netherlands) 4, RACING STRASBOURG (France) 0 (Half-time 2-0).

Ajax won 4-0 on aggregate

CUP WINNERS CUP
In Valencia: VALENCIA (Spain) 4 BARCELONA (Spain) 3 (Half-time 2-2)

Valencia won 5-3 on aggregate

In Gothenburg: GOTHENBURG (Sweden) 0 ARSENAL (England) 0. Arsenal won 5-1 on aggregate

In Nantes: NANTES (France) 2 MOSCOW DYNAMO (Soviet Union) (Half-time 1-2)

Nantes won 4-3 on aggregate

In Turin: JUVENTUS (Italy) 2 RIJEKA (Yugoslavia) 0 (Half-time 1-0)

Juventus 2-0 on aggregate.

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Croydon, Knox charity game

Croydon City and Knox City will play a charity match on Sunday to raise funds for the family of Graham Fedor who died in the U.K. two weeks ago.

Fedor played for Croydon reserves before joining Knox last year. He knew then that he had an incurable illness, and he decided later to go home to die.

The charity match will be played at Croydon Park. Reserves start at 1 pm and seniors at 2.45 pm.

Admission is \$1 and the Croydon club will make a bulk payment for all its players and officials. — LAURIE SCHWAB



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FOOTSCRAY JUST 3
BRISB LIONS 1

Goals: Footscray, Plicione 10th, Belic 15th, Vasic 65th; Lions: Lindsay 8th.
Ground: Middle Park.
Weather: Fine and sunny.
Crowd: 2210.
Cautions: Ontong (BL), Lownds (BL).
Referee: Stewart Mellings 8.

Before this match, Footscray coach Rocco Ilie said his most challenging task was to persuade his players to believe in themselves.

This victory over the mangy Lions helped boost the confidence that was lost during Footscray's difficult 1979 season during which it narrowly escaped relegation.

But there were still pessimistic mutterings, most of them unnecessary.

Man for man, Footscray's players are as good as any in the league. What's needed most is to enlarge the squad.

If it can also change the players' attitude, they may add to their armoury the type of fierce determination necessary to fight back after setbacks like an early goal against them.

Whether or not they already have this quality may be determined in their match against Adelaide City at the Olympic Sports Field on Sunday.

Ilie again will use a four-man midfield that includes Peter Ollerton, but it would appear wiser to use him as striker, the position for which he was brought from Marconi.

Invariably Ilie pushes Ollerton forward when things go wrong, so why not have him up there in the first place? The danger of not having someone in the middle, worrying the opposing centre backs, was demonstrated last Sunday, when Jim Hermiston was left alone to sweep away every ball unchallenged.

But despite the undoubted class of Hermiston and Ron Millman, who was excellent against Footscray, Ilie has to improve dramatically to avoid serious trouble this year.

There's no way that their archaic kick-and-rush style will have any effect on West Adelaide at Lions Stadium on Sunday.

Zdravko Lujic was Footscray's star against Lions, figuring in two of the goals as the team's main avenue of attack. Vlatko Belic, 18, who worked very hard to get into the senior team, had a solid game capped by the goal that put Footscray into the lead 2-1 after 15 minutes.

Midfielder Gerry Lindsay scored for Lions after only eight minutes, thanks to a fumble by goalkeeper Dennis Boland, who let the shot slip through his hands.

But Lujic sliced his way down the left of the penalty area and cut the ball square to Joe Plicione who slammed home the equaliser only two minutes later.

Then Plicione took a corner, the ball came back to him and he crossed again. Miro Rujevic, who had a fantastic first half, fired the ball down and slipped it short to Lujic who was blocked so he relayed it to Belic who scored with a shot on the turn.

Slobodan Jovanovic who infuriated fans by going square instead of forward so often last year, displayed a new, positive attitude in launching a powerful shot on the run that bounced off Lownds' chest for a corner. Jovanovic hardly ever shot at goal last year.

The pattern of the game was clear. Footscray was far superior. Millman fought a lone battle in midfield against Plicione, Jovanovic and Rujevic, up front Lujic was winning his battle with Paul Ontong and in defence, Jim Kondarides, Jim O'Reilly and Chris Petrov reigned supreme.

Retrow Igor Hazabent was good as well but he had little to do.

Nine minutes after the break, Zoran Ilkovic replaced Peter Ollerton who shouldn't have played in the first half, due to a foot injury that made him largely ineffective.

Hughes set up Millman with a brilliant flick-on in the 55th minute but Millman's shot hit the bar.

The first 15 minutes of the second half were Lions' best period.

Ilie was unhappy with the way his team was allowing itself to be pushed back, so he made a decisive move in bringing on a third forward, Dragan Vasic, at 65 minutes. Vasic tapped Lujic's square shot into goal with only his second touch, in the 65th min-

City's goal drought

BRISBANE CITY 0
ST. GEORGE 1

Scorer: Beggs 11th.
Ground: Perry Park.
Crowd: 2050.
Weather: Fine and sunny.
Referee: Bob Mac.
Caution: Kelso, Wilkinson (BC), Beggs (St. G).

Brisbane City suffered its first defeat of the season when it succumbed to a youthful and committed St. George at Perry Park in Brisbane.

City obviously has not yet got things together, and the determination and vigour which marked the teams football last year is almost totally absent.

St. George, although only scoring once, in the 11th minute, through Peter Beggs, was far above being a one goal bet on the day.

Brisbane City's defence, one of its strong points in 1979, was having some wretched moments, but finally coach Nereo Satic found the move.

He made this move at half time, and has obviously decided that Kevin Caldwell is not paying his way in a defensive role and must find his way back into contention for his usual forward line spot.

Brisbane City had only a handful of players producing any of the standard required in the PSL.

They were left-back Billy Wilkinson, winger Joe Palinkas and to a lesser extent Day and Jones, three players who at least ran their guts out for most of the second half.

Keeper Kim Wishart did not really do anything wrong, and neither did his counterpart Don Smith, who was battling to displace Wishart at Brisbane City last year.

The real towers of strength for St. George were centre backs Doug Utesonovic and Dave McCulloch, who were making sure Barry Kelso did not get many opportunities.

The Saints youthful midfield of Peter Katholos, Paul Kay and Jon Jones, except for a brief period in the second half, held the whip hand and provided ample support for extremely promising young strikers Beggs and Billy Griffiths.

Don Smith, who got himself into all sorts of tangles to help provide Beggs with his goal.

St. George never really looked like losing its grip on the match, and to be honest did not deserve to, even when City came back with its customary second half home surge.

But for all the openings created, none were accepted and coach Nereo Satic has to come up with a solution to the pressing problem of a lone goal (from the penalty spot) in three matches this season.

City opened up with three successive corners, but once St. George had overcome that pressure, the visitors settled well and snatched the early, decisive lead.

The Saints did not really threaten seriously again for the remainder of the half, although Wishart made one brilliant save to halt a neat Katholos-Kay move.

City's closest moments were a header from Ratcliffe which went straight to Smith, and another building near half time when Steve Perry over-lapped well, but watched Smith block a Barry Kelso side-footer with his chest.

Kelso made one paralyzing burst in the 38th minute, when he shrugged off four tackles, Palinkas found the back of the net but had scored from an offside position.

St. George had chances to wrap up the issue, the first when a perfect Griffiths cross went begging and later when substitute Nick Fenoughty missed a sitter.

City continued to press forward but unless someone can start finding the back of the net, there will be more disappointments in store.

Manecas a big hit

WEST ADELAIDE 1
SOUTH MELBOURNE 0

Scorer: Koulianos 88th min.
Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium.
Crowd: 4,200.
Weather: Warm.
Referee: Tim Davies 9.

West Adelaide overpowered South Melbourne 1-0 with a classy exhibition of offensive soccer.

The win, West's first of the season, gave Cherry Chaldi's men just the boost they needed.

After the 4-2 hammering against Heidelberg, West was written off as a championship hope.

However things have changed dramatically at Hindmarsh Stadium during the past week.

West secured the signature of State defender Zoran Maricic from Campbelltown and on Saturday its star Portuguese import Manecas arrived to begin his three year contract.

Manecas was placed on the transfer list after he failed to come to terms with the club.

Boyle is the seventh player transferred by the club.

The others are Con Kamras cleared to Port Adelaide, Graham Norris and John Batheol, transferred to Azzurri, Garrie Dooley, Gordon McCulloch and Sam Service who are yet to complete transfers.

David Jones, whose contract expired at the end of the 1979 season, joined Adelaide City.

Manecas and Maricic slotted quickly and smoothly into the side and their presence was evident from the start.

Maricic didn't make a mistake and kept South's elusive striker Branko Buljevic out of the game.

Meanwhile, Manecas figures in several dazzling pieces of play and will obviously be one of the PSL's most outstanding personalities this season.

West went on the offensive from the start, and had South ducking for cover.

Midfielder Stragga Topolanski stretched goalkeeper Peter Laumets all the way with a powerful header.

And two minutes later Topolanski combined with Manecas in spectacular move.

Topolanski speared the ball to Manecas on the right wing, the colored striker returned the pass and after another interchange with Topolanski, Manecas crossed to Kosmina in the penalty area.

The 1977 World Cup star headed the ball to Eric Carruthers, who hit a difficult shot over the bar.

West's midfield began to take a strangle hold on the game, and only dynamic George Christopoulos threatened the home team in the middle of the half.

South had its first major chance in the ninth minute, but Banko Buljevic's shot on the turn was well stopped by Martyn Crook.

Crook made another great save, this time from an Alan Evans shot after he had broken clear of West's defence at the centre of the field.

That was virtually the end of South's contribution to the first half, while West Adelaide battled in vain at the other end.

It came close to scoring on at least three occasions but poor finishing frustrated the team.

South began the second half with George Campbell belting a shot into the side netting.

Evans and Campbell combined well and were proving a headache, while Buljevic, on the occasions he could get clear, was also a menace.

John Kosmina, who fought hard all day, almost gave West the lead in the 48th minute, but his powerful cross was headed off the goal line in spectacular fashion by Vince Buljevic.

And just a minute later, Graham Honeyman headed powerfully against the bar.

The game developed into a fascinating end-to-end attacking battle and in the 57th minute Billy Rogers saw his great header plucked out of the air in athletic fashion by Crook.

Gerry Chaldi made a crucial change in the 68th minute when he replaced Carruthers with George Koulianos.

Within two minutes, Koulianos raced onto the pass from Steve Attilas to slam a powerful angled ground shot past Peter Laumets.

Smith the missing link

SYDNEY CITY 1
HEIDELBERG 1

Scorer: Spanos (SC) 22nd min, Yzenoord (HU) 65th min.
Ground: Sydney Sports Ground.
Crowd: 1827.
Weather: Hot.
Referee: Henry Witachke 8.

This top of the table battle lurched to the first 45 minutes, then but in the second half.

The ultra-humid weather took its toll on the players of both sides, and this, plus the nervous energy of the occasion, drained the players of their power after the interval.

At least this is what it seemed like from the press box, and with these two teams sitting on top of the PSL one has to give them the benefit of the doubt.

Sydney City is still top of the PSL, but after its performance here, the team can count itself very lucky to be so.

Heidelberg should have had the game tied up by half time.

During this first period the Melbourne team missed enough chances to win four games, with the finishing pathetic.

And the man who must shoulder most of the blame for this, is striker Jamie Paton, who had a nightmare afternoon.

Time and time again Paton was given golden opportunities when it seemed easier to score than miss.

It was just one of these days for this fellow when nothing would go according to plan.

His position in the team was excellent, and he was always on the spot to score, but then at the decisive moment he faltered.

What was needed was a little more composure, and instead of trying to do things at 100 miles an hour, Paton should have slowed it down and made sure of his finishing effort.

A little more experience should be the solution to this problem.

Without big striker Terry Smith as a player/coach Eddie Thomson, who were both injured, City never reached the heights of the teams previous two matches.

Without Smith as a target man, Sydney City's striking combination was disjointed, and this meant that Ken Boden was never utilised properly.

What a waste this was. The quickest Sydney City gets Smith back onto the field, the better it will be for the Slickers.

His deputy Nello Borges was never in the game and at no time looked to be doing anything better than the Slickers.

However, City has found a winner in young libero John Spanos, the former youth international from Western Australia.

This youngster had a great debut for City, and capped it off with a fine goal in the 22nd minute that cannoned off Jimmy Rooney into the Heidelberg net.

City's goal came completely against the run of play and the team really did not deserve it.

Heidelberg fought back well and the equaliser came in the 58th minute when John Yzenoord hit a great shot 10 metres that crashed into the city net.

The action during the first 45 minutes was good and befitting of the two teams sitting on top of the competition.

There was a great deal of thought put into the play of both teams, and it was evident that a great deal of work has been put on the training track.

Heidelberg's build-up was slower and more meticulous than City's and its final pass was more accurate.

However, at times the Melbourne team looked a bit vulnerable through the middle of the defence, where Paddy Brennan was caught on the turn and looked to lack about two years in speed.

Midfielder Jimmy Rooney, defender Jim Tansey and former youth international Theo Selenides are fine players and looked all class.

For City, Joe Watson is back to his best, as is goalkeeper Todd Clarke and midfielder John Stevenson.

Clarke, in particular, looks the goods and must be back knocking on the door for inclusion in the national squad.

Despite the slump in the second half, both of these teams will be knocking on the door for honors in the PSL this season and both are entertaining to watch.

Of course, the great joy of it all is the great crowd of

Stark a powerhouse

CANBERRA CITY 1
ADELAIDE CITY 0

Scorer: Giampolo 85th min.
Ground: Bruce Stadium.
Crowd: 4,080.
Weather: Sunny.
Referee: C. Amos 8.

Canberra City now looks forward to Easter Monday and its next home match against Marconi, which should draw a record crowd after last Sunday's deserved 1-0 victory over Adelaide City.

It was Canberra's first win over boyhood team Adelaide City in nine encounters.

And it was a win that gave Canberra new heart. It is amazing how a win can change a side.

Before the game, Canberra's players were jittery and nervous. They were under tremendous pressure to win after their first round, home game 4-2 drubbing at the hands of Brisbane Lions.

Throughout Canberra City was the better side - despite missing several golden opportunities before new signing Sebastian Giampolo got the late winner.

The forward found the net just five minutes from the final whistle.

Giampolo grafted tirelessly all afternoon under the hot sun to get his reward.

Yet it was veteran Englishman Roy Stark who was the pick as man of the match. Again Stark is out of favour with the club, but on Sunday proved a point.

He proved that when giving 100 percent effort, he is still City's most experienced and valuable defender.

He was one of the mainstays of the Canberra's defence.

The others were young full-backs Danny Moulis and Mike Milovanovic, who, like Stark, were having their first games on the 1980 PSL season.

While Canberra City's coach Vic Fernandez had a reprieve with the win, counterpart Rale Rasic wasn't so happy. The loss gives his side but one point from three outings.

"It wasn't a good game," said Rale. "Both teams were below their best. I rated John Perin the best on the field - with Stark second."

"But Canberra was the better team and deserved the points."

Perin was good, as was Soccer defender David Jones and goalkeeper Peter Marshall who had a really busy afternoon.

After five minutes, Canberra's striker Tony Brennan was put through by Walter Valeri, and the goal was there for the taking.

It took Brennan with Marshall to beat, but his shot was fired straight at Marshall.

Ten minutes later Marshall was again in fine form after Valeri had nearly let off ball.

Robert O'Shea allowed him to shoot, but Marshall smothered well after diving full length.

Canberra was on top with its forwards generally having the better of Adelaide's defence.

Only to miss chances or fall foul of the offside trap.

Just 45 seconds into the second half, Valeri showed good head and can shoot, but once more Marshall was equal to the occasion as he fisted the shot around the post.

But Adelaide was lifting its game, and when Brian Northgate broke through Canberra's goalkeeper Steve Hosowski made a vital save.

Rasic then substituted Bobby Russell for Glen Dodds in the 38th minute to give extra bite to the defence, but territorially Canberra was still on top - although hard-working Agenor Muniz was unlucky not to score in the 70th minute.

Canberra's defence was caught open and only a desperate last-ditch tackle from Stark deflected Muniz's shot over the bar.

Minutes later Brennan had his second chance - but again he missed it.

It was a great chance, too. Brennan was put through by MacLaren and again he had Marshall in a one-on-one situation.

The ball, however, was struck inches wide of the post and from Marshall's goal-kick Canberra was in trouble.

The ball came to Gary Marrochi, and he lobbed it back into the area with Hosowski caught off his line and beaten but unfortunately for Adelaide City the ball rapped the crossbar.

Woodhouse brilliant

LEICHHARDT 2
MARCONI 2

Scorer: Samuals (L) 10th, 23rd (L), Krncevic 29th, Sharma 81st (M).
Ground: Lambert Park.
Crowd: 8306.
Referee: Peter Rampley 5.

Canberra's Paul Dagny (M) Marconi dominated the proceedings in the second half, but had to wait until the 81st minute to snatch an equaliser and go away from Lambert Park with one point.

Roberto Vieri took a corner kick from the right hand side and floated the ball to the far post where Eddie Krncevic was on the spot to nod the ball to the feet of Peter Sharne.

The fast winger wasted no time in slicing the ball under the advancing keeper to make it 2-2.

With so much of the ball and territorial advantage in the second half, the Fairfields only managed to create a couple of chances.

Much of the credit for the brilliant defensive performance must be given to Jim Dempsey, who led the backline of Leichhardt like a true professional.

Greg Woodhouse had one of his finest games in goal, and earned praise from Ron Corry, the ex-Socceroo goalkeeper.

Bob McGinn finished the game hot on the heels of Peter Sharne, and was largely responsible for dampening the effect of a player usually so fast on the game.

With the wind at its back, the home side attacked furiously in the opening minutes and brought two great saves from Allan Maher. Alas, the Marconi keeper saved two but failed to hold the third, and Leichhardt slipped into the lead in the 10th minute.

O'Connor floated the ball into the area and Jim Dempsey was on the spot to head goalwards. Allan Maher managed to touch the ball and save, but it rebounded into the crossbar and fell for Mark Samuals to push it back into the net from close range.

Marconi replied some ten minutes later after good lead up work by Garry Byrne. He made space for himself on the left flank, before crossing for Krncevic to head just under the crossbar and away from goalkeeper's outstretched arms.

Samuals struck again for the home side some three minutes later. Roberto Vieri had the ball 30 metres from his own goal, and in attempting to push the ball across field for Prskalo, gave his kick too much power and it ran for O'Connor instead. Leichhardt's new signing quickly raced past a defender then shot low past Allan Maher for Samuals to nudge it into the net from a couple of metres away.

In fact, Woodhouse saved a thunderbolt from Garry Byrne in the 38th minute, and then another point blank range shot from Raskopoulos in the dying minutes of the first half to earn this comment from ex-Socceroo Ron Corry: "This is the best I have seen from Woodhouse to date. He is so young, but he doesn't have an equal in Australia at the moment."

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Blacktown improves

BLACKTOWN CITY 1
NEWCASTLE UTD 1

Scorer: Jones 13th (NU), Ortega 33rd (BC).
Ground: Gable Stadium.
Crowd: 2457.
Referee: Doug Rennie 7.
Cautions: Drinkwater, Trentor (NU).

Blacktown City, back at home and to the scene of its opening round PSL triumph over St. George, turned in an improved performance to play a 1:1 draw with Newcastle KB United.

The team which faced Newcastle certainly looked no more complacent in terms of performance to that which took part in the 9-0 debacle of the previous week. The Blacktown players certainly gave their supporters, who turned up in large numbers, plenty to cheer about.

Overall, the match was as the scoreline suggests - very even. Both sides showed performance to that which took part in the 9-0 debacle of the previous week. The Blacktown players certainly gave their supporters, who turned up in large numbers, plenty to cheer about.

Chances came early to the home side through Turnbull and Wilkinson. In the 11th minute, Hunter just failed to reach a good pass from Turnbull, near goal. Despite these opportunities, the scoreline remained 0-0, and, in fact, it was Newcastle which capitalised to go into an early lead.

Stowell gave away the ball in his own area in the 13th minute to allow David Jones to rush in and slam it past James. Only three minutes later, Newcastle almost made it 2-0 through Senkalski, but the lanky midfielder came forward and missed a sitter.

Blacktown wasted a good opportunity in the 23rd minute through Ian Hunter, but came back ten minutes later to square the score.

A brilliantly taken free kick by Carlos Ortega saw the ball curve just inside the far post and away from Preston's reach to tie the scores.

Paul Reaney and Tredinick combined well in the dying seconds of the first half to create an opportunity for Heyes, then Snedden, but neither managed to worry James.

The match continued in much the same vein in the second half until the last quarter of an hour, when Newcastle appeared to have taken hold of the game and attacked, looking for the winner. With Newcastle attacking, the home side showed some of its inability to remain composed in its backline.

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Sponsorship success

Newcastle KB United is having remarkable success with its sponsorship plans.

Already a number of its 13 home matches are sponsored, and there is no fear that the remainder will not be similarly sponsored.

There are also sponsors who provide Umbro balls for each



West Adelaide's new recruit Manecas from

Big spending Canterbury near bottom

NSW State League

Big-spending

Canterbury Marrickville suffered its second successive defeat in the State League, this time going down heavily 3-1 to Melita at Arlington Oval.

Melita took a 2-0 lead through two spot kicks, before Canterbury replied, also through a penalty.

Melita winger Joe Farrugia scored both his team's spot-kicks, while Craig Ball got Canterbury's.

In the second half Canterbury, which was still in the match at that stage, was dealt a killer blow when Terry Jones scored Melita's third goal.

Melita on the whole played crisp football, though in patches both teams lacked concentration and the football became scrappy.

Croatia had to battle all the way against the young Auburn side in their 2-2 draw at the King Tomislav ground.

Auburn opened the scoring in the 28th minute when Kevin Dobson made no mistake with a penalty kick given for a trip on Mark Ross.

Croatia equalised two minutes before half time when Bobby Pagan headed home from a Kevin Coleman cross.

Coleman himself put Croatia ahead in the 58th minute, once again from a header, this time from a perfect Zdenko Kafka cross.

With Croatia tending to ease up late in the game, Jim Field put Auburn on level terms with a follow-up six-metre shot after his first attempt was partially saved by Steve Watson.

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Sutherland 2 (Meades 2, Monaro 0) at Seymour Shaw Stadium. Crowd: 100.

Sydney Olympic 2 (Scott, Rowden) Avala 1 (Karanfilovski) at Knight Park. Crowd 1026.

Croatia 2 (Pegano, Coleman) Auburn 2 (Dobson) at Tomislav Park. Crowd 3100.

Manly 1 (Sturt) Arncliffe 3 (Leake) at Cromer Park. Crowd 337.

Parramatta City 2 (Heem, Waldron) Kuringal 2 (Heron, Hogg) at Garside Park. Crowd 157.

Bankstown 4 (Daley 2, Rootsey, Lembyrick) North Sydney 1 (Yousef). Crowd 315.

Melita Eagles 3 (Farrugia 2, Jones 1) Canterbury-Marrickville Olympic 1 (Hall) at Arlington. Crowd 2200.

W D L F A P
Melita..... 2 0 5 1 4
Olympic..... 2 0 5 2 4
Croatia..... 1 1 0 4 2 3
Sydney..... 1 0 3 1 3
Parramatta..... 1 0 4 3 3
Bankstown..... 1 0 1 4 3 2
Avala..... 0 1 3 2 2
Kuringal..... 0 0 2 2 2
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8000 CROWD WATCHES OLYMPIC TAKE CUP

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Hensman 43rd) CROATIA 0 at Sports Ground. Crowd: 8064. Referee: T. Davies 8. Yellow Cards: T. Basic 26

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 7, Arkudinoff 7, Palmer 7, Wilson 8, Rowden 6, Cross 6, (Housson 80'), Laing 6, Ziras 6, Scott 8, Eaton 7, Hensman 7.

CROATIA: Watson 7, A. Kovacic 6, Caji 7, Basic 6, Smith 7, (Cortas 83'), Mullen 6, (Kafka 8, Savor 6, M. Kovacic 7, Sullivan 7, (Pajano 88').

Sydney Olympic won the 1988 NSW Ampol Cup in a hard-fought final before a large crowd of 8064 at the Sydney Sports Ground last Friday night.

The game was extremely tight and though Sydney Olympics led from late in the first half the result was in doubt till the final whistle.

The tight marking by both sides effectively stifled any creative football and it was obvious that the most likely way a goal would be scored would be by the mistake of a defender.

To Olympic's good fortune this came in the 43rd minute when Andy Kovacic gave away possession well in his own half.

The ball was quickly chipped wide to Scott. He nodded to Peter Hensman, who saw that Watson was coming off his line, so he neatly headed over the keeper's head into the net.

The goal looked deceptively easy but all credit should go to both Hensman and Scott who

kept their cool in sizing up the situation so quickly.

The chances which were created in the first half could be counted on one hand. The first for Olympic came in the 30th minute when a cross from Scott found the ever-present Eaton who could only head the ball straight to Watson.

The goal just on half time therefore, would have been a delight to Olympic, for although having slightly the better of the first half exchange they had not displayed any real superiority over Croatia.

In the opening minutes of the second half it looked as though Olympic was going to go on and dominate.

However after a brief scramble in Croatia's goal-mouth which ended with a shot being ballooned over the bar, the game adopted a more even keel with perhaps some leaning towards Croatia.

Croatia, being one goal down, was more positive than in the first half, and was able to create more opportunities. In doing so Croatia pushed a lot more men forward.

Croatia's chances finally started to come thick and fast. Coleman was given an opportunity right in front, but his shot was forced wide due to a strong challenge from a defender.

Galaj nearly made it 1:1 in the 64th when he raced through

while the Olympic defence stood and watched. It was up to Meier to block the shot well off his line.

More chances were to come Croatia's way but once again lack of real finishing power was its undoing.

Clearly the best shot of the match came in the final minutes when Mullen fired a long range rocket which Meier only just managed to tip over the bar.

Although lacking any really spectacular or creative football, there were no bad players on either side. Wilson and Scott had strong games for Olympic while Kafka who appears to have settled well into the Croatia line-up, was clearly its best on the night.

First Division

1ST DIVISION: Revesby - Sydney City 0-0, Polonia - Penrith 5-1, Yugal - Blacktown 0-0, Bathurst - Leichhardt 0-0, Warragah - Uni of NSW 0-4, Marconi - Wollongong 1-1, St George - Blacktown 2-0, Belmore - Bye.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Polonia	2	2	0	8	12	2	4
Blacktown	2	1	1	0	3	0	3
Bathurst	2	1	0	2	1	3	0
Uni of NSW	1	1	0	4	0	2	2
St George	1	1	0	0	2	0	2
Penrith	2	1	0	1	3	5	2
Marconi	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Wollongong	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Yugal	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Leichhardt	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Sydney City	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
Yugal	2	0	1	1	0	2	1
Revesby	2	0	1	1	1	1	1
Blacktown	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Warragah	2	0	2	0	2	0	7
Belmore							

THIS WEEK

Blacktown C - Revesby, Gabbie Stadium.
Sydney City - Polonia, Mark Field.
Uni of NSW - Bathurst, David Phillips Field.
Wollongong - Warragah, Berkeley Sports Ground.
Blacktown - Marconi, Francis Park.
Belmore - St. George, Blick Oval.

NEXT (SATURDAY)

Leichhardt - Yugal, Lambert Park.
Penrith - Bye

STATE LEAGUE

Sydney Olympic - Sutherland, Pretten Park.
Melita Eagles - Avala, Garside Park.
Auburn - Manly, Mona Park, Arncliffe - Parramatta, Hurstville Oval.
Kuringal - Bankstown, Parklands Oval.
North Sydney - Can/Marrickville, North Sydney Oval.

Croatia in 4-4 draw

Essendon Croatia struggled to a 4-4 draw with Croatia Glenorchy in Hobart at the weekend.

Glenorchy featured a number of guest players, including Caledonians' John Charlton, son of the great Jack Charlton.

The Tasmanians went to a 3-0 lead with two goals and a penalty, before Mick Klarin scored twice and Tommy Cumming once to level the scores. Another goal by Joe Tront put Essendon into the lead but Glenorchy equalised.



With ELIAS DONOUDIS

He stated this after a friendly game between Italy and Uruguay which Italy won 1-0 with a goal from Graziani.

Manchester United, 2nd on the ladder in this year's English championships, is interested in obtaining Holland's international half, Frank Arnesen, of Ajax.

According to some rumours, David Sexton, the Manager of Manchester United, went to Amsterdam and offered Ajax 500,000 pounds for Arnesen.

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AROUND THE WORLD

When Helenia Herrera went to Barcelona, he said to the management of the Spanish Club: "Send Roberto back to Brazil and bring me Krankl!"

Now the management is facing a difficult problem in trying to satisfy their coach.

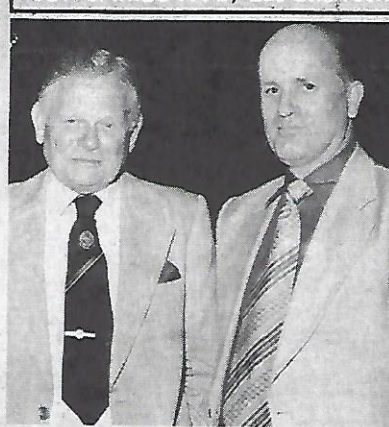
For this to happen, they would lose a lot of money (the amount they paid to obtain Roberto), but as well they would have to convince the Austrian Krankl to return to Spain.

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OBITUARIES... by Les Shorrock



The late Alan Hardaker (left) with VSF secretary George Wallace.

Cup his brainchild

By a sad irony, as Wolverhampton Wanderers and Nottingham Forest were preparing for the Football League Cup Final last week, Alan Hardaker died.

Hardaker had an unprecedented reign of 22 years as Secretary of the Football League and when, two years past his retirement age, he handed over to Graham Kelly, the League recognised his services by creating for the post of Director-General.

The Football League Cup was his brainchild, devised in 1960 in the face of strong criticism, and virtually boycotted by the top clubs in its first years.

Now it is a firmly established money-spinner for the League, ranking second only to the F.A. Cup itself, and gains its winner automatic entry to Europe.

A recognised expert on administration, Hardaker was much in demand for advice after his retirement. He came to Australia on a lecture tour last October.

VSF Secretary George Wallace, on learning of his death said: "He will be greatly missed, not only in Britain, but in soccer generally. His advice, when he was here last year, was of inestimable value to us."

During his brief stay in Sydney, Hardaker had discussions with top AFL officials, during which he expressed his amazement that the PSF had little control, if any, over its own management.

It was his opinion that the PSF would not progress until it had its own separate administrative set-up, advice which has so far, unfortunately, gone unheeded.

437 GOALS

William Ralph Dean, who died recently, appropriately enough watching his beloved Everton playing Liverpool at Goodison Park - was the striker par excellence, whose goal-scoring feats never will be equalled.

Christened William Ralph, calling himself Bill, but known throughout the soccer world as Dixie, he scored 437 League goals in 379 games and 18 goals in 18 games for England.

In the 1927-28 season he scored an incredible 60 goals in the 42 League matches, three in Cup-ties and a further 19 in various representative matches, a towering achievement in a period when players thought they were overworked if they played 45 games a year.

Dean's success brought about a change in the game as fundamental as the alteration in the offside rule initiated by Billy McCracken, for Arsenal manager of the time, Herbert Allison, switched left Herbie Roberts to the centre of his defence to stop Dixie and his like, and the 'stopper' centre-half was born.

The move was so successful that no centre-forward or striker has since exceeded 50 goals in a League season.

Dixie's forte was the header, and wingers of his day like Geldard, Brook, Crooks and Bruton soon became adept at crossing the high ball from the corner flag for the famed Dean to head from the far corner of the penalty box to meet it.

What was all the more remarkable was that he had his skull fractured in a car accident and was not expected to live.

Only 5'10" and weighing a mere 12 stone, Dean was the goalkeeper's nightmare and gave rise to the story that on meeting Liverpool's famous Irish goalkeeper, Elisha Scott one day, he nodded and Scott dived automatically.

Merseysiders of both red and blue persuasion almost were idolatrous in their hero-worship of Dixie. In 1964, a quarter of a century after his retirement, an astonishing 37,000 turned out at his benefit match between Everton and Liverpool (who else?) at Goodison.

And these days, while Blues fans sadly contemplate the seemingly never-ending victory march of that other team in the 'Pool, they must be wondering when another Dixie will come along, or even another Tommy Lawton, for that matter.

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West Adelaide's young midfielder Steve Atscales, attacking the Heidelberg goal. Behind him is Jimmy Rooney. — Picture by LES SHORROCK.



Ouch! Waverley City (Vic) player coach Jim Train cops it from Frank McLeod of Park Rangers in a Dockerty Cup game. — Picture by LES SHORROCK.



Manchester City manager Malcolm Allison (left) with Kevin Reeves, who transferred from Norwich last week for a million pounds. — PRESS ASSOCIATION WIREPHOTO.



Australian tour leader Bill Waddell (left) and coach Rudi Gutendorf after the young Socceroos had won the Oceania Cup by beating Tahiti 4-2 in the final in Noumea. Bill Waddell, president of the Queensland Soccer Federation, died last week. — Picture by UTE GUTENDORF.



Dennis Daley of NSW looks a little hesitant as he prepares to attack Victoria at Olympic Park. Victoria won 4-0. — Picture by LES SHORROCK.



Graziani (left) of Italy heads towards goal in an international match against Uruguay at Millen. — ANAFOTO.



Adelaide City's Gary Marocchi (left) launches a shot at goal, with Brisbane City goalkeeper Kim Wishart and defender Steve Perry on the ground. In the background is Brian Northcote. The game ended scoreless. — Pictures by FRANK HOBBS.

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Ute Gutendorf (front left), who acted as interpreter for the Socceroos during the Oceania Cup in Noumea, poses with other officials, including the late Bill Waddell (standing, second from left), French referee Robert Wurtz (centre), New Zealand official Charlie Dempsey (left) and Mr. Wamedjo (front), president of the New Caledonian Football Association. — Picture by RUDI GUTENDORF.



NSW goalkeeper Peter Wilson of Sydney Olympic gets the ball safely on his chest, under pressure from Victorian striker Jamie Paton in their interstate match. At right is Gary Cole. Victoria won 4-0. — Picture by

Victorian Dockerty Cup



Former star Victorian goalkeeper Nick van Egmond (right), with his son, Nick, Jr.

Van Egmonds' family affair

HAKOAH 5 MORNINGTON 1

Goals, Hakoah: Gibson 24th, French 44th, 75th & 79th, Rigby 89th; Mornington: Menlove 70th
Ground: Middle Park
Crowd: About 1000 (Dockerty Cup double header)

HAKOAH: O'Hara 6 - Gadsby 6, Baker 7, Owen 7, Wilson 6 (Loh 7, half time), Dusen 6, McNeil 6, Rigby 6 - Gibson 7, French 8, Nagy 6.

MORNINGTON: van Egmond Sen. 8 - Puszak 5, Brisco 7, Lines 7, Glenroses 5 - van Egmond Jnr 6, Baptist 6 (Belenet 63rd), DeJong 6, Vinter 5 - Menlove 5, Wallace 5.

"I'm proud of him, but he's just another player. If he

doesn't perform, he's off, and the rest of the team knows it."

So says Mornington player-coach Nick van Egmond, of his son and team-mate Nick Jr who, at 13, must be the youngest senior player in Victoria.

Young Nick, who wore the No. 8 shirt against Hakoah, and operated mainly out on the right flank, is in his first senior season after helping Mooroolbark juniors win three championships.

He missed six games due to a broken arm last year. Mooroolbark lost five of these games and managed only third place.

Nick displayed his impressive skills in winning a one-against-one tournament contested by 160 boys at the Exhibition Buildings last year. He was undefeated.

If he can play senior soccer

at 13 (he'll be 14 in two weeks), he could be a prospect for the national team in the World Youth Championships next year.

"We'll see how he develops this season," says his dad.

At the moment, young Nick looks a bit frail in senior company, but if he grows into anything resembling the hulking frame of his father, there'll be no stopping him.

Nick Sen. 33, was goalkeeper of Ringwood Wilhelmina in the State League for about 10 years. He represented Victoria four times, against Kosice (Czechoslovakia), South Australia, the English FA and Cruzeiro (Brazil).

He became player-coach of Mornington last year and lifted the team into fifth position - its highest in the club's 18 year history.

MIKE JOHNSON

Players hold the key

The recent PSL match at St George Stadium between the new St George and the new APFA was reasonably encouraging for the future of Australian soccer.

A good stadium, good playing surface, a reasonable crowd of about 3500 producing some atmosphere, and a reasonable standard of commitment and skill from the players, all left me with a feeling of optimism for the future.

I do believe that the stadiums, the playing surfaces and crowd at atmosphere will all improve if the standard of commitment and skill of the players increases.

The players and the coaches are the key to it all.

It is what our players produce, or fail to produce, which will determine the success or failure of our top soccer.

St George, after its disastrous Phillips league start against Blacktown, was obviously keyed up for this game, particularly the midfield trio of Paul Kay, Peter Katholus and John Davies.

None of these three are particularly aggressive players, but on the day they harried their opponents and won most tackles, particularly in the first half.

All are excellent when going forward.

I like the busy style, the vision and the professional skills of the small APFA midfielder, Bradley.

It does not agree with APFA manager-coach, Willie Wallace, who was reported after the game as saying "how can you be disappointed when you look what I have got to work with."

He has the country's national goalkeeper, Greg Woodhouse, the former national skipper, Peter Wilson, who is just over 30 and playing in a position where even at 35 he could be effective.

Blacktown's sweeper, Bruce Stowell, is 40, though he probably felt all of those years after the Marconi hammering.

Right back and former national team squad member, Bobby McGinn, is still this side of 30.

Peter Stone and Bradley are two midfielders any coach would be pleased to have, plus the great striker, Phil O'Connor.

If Wallace gets his two men from Scotland, especially striker, Pirie who did so well for Sydney Olympic, he should have a top side.

In fact, he will have more "class" in his team than the busy Saints outfit, which seems a little short of that commodity, even though there is a lot of ball skill in the side.

Phil O'Connor showed some of this class and was a constant threat to St George.

It is amazing, however, how success can change players' status.

Nottingham Forest's McGovern, Birtles, Woodcock, and Kenny Burns are evidence of this.

DAY OF THE UNDERDOG

Victorian State League clubs beware: the underdogs are on the rampage!

That's the message sounded loud and clear after last weekend's first main round of the Dockerty Cup. Frankston City, Preston Makedonia and Croydon City — who finished in the top four of the State League in 1979 — were unceremoniously booted out of the competition by teams from the lower leagues.

The underdogs claimed three prize scalps, but the list could have been added to as Essendon Croatia and Altona City had only single-goal victories, and Sunshine City was taken to extra time by Bell Park.

The battle resumes this week in the second main round of the Dockerty Cup. Five of the eight ties see State League teams challenged by underdogs.

Western Suburbs and Sunshine City could well be the next State League teams to be knocked out by underdogs, thus joining Frankston, Makedonia and Croydon on the list of those disgraced.

Western Suburbs meets First Division club Ringwood City at Wembley Park, and will be hard pressed to overcome Ringwood.

Ringwood's forward line includes the skilful Ian Greener and the aggressive John Luten, with promising youngster Brian Fitzgerald on the right wing.

If John O'Callaghan returns to the line up, Ringwood will have the forward strength to worry Wests, which has lost many players from last season.

The Daperis brothers — Jim and John — will provide tough opposition

to Ringwood, and defender Mike Glykoulamos will make sure his defence covers Ringwood's dangers.

There is a strong rivalry between the two sides, as they met in the 1979 Cumberland Cup final.

Ringwood City won 4-1 on that occasion.

Sunshine City is confronted by Northcote City at Reservoir, and will have a hard game. Northcote has many top players, including John Nicolaidis, George Bozidakis and Giovanni Battistotto.

Northcote has the skill, but may not be able to match the aggression of Sunshine. Captain Rob Nelson is an inspiring player, and centre back Steve Ellis is impassable at his best.

The game will be interesting, with Sunshine no certainty to come out on top.

Green Gully will be tested by Polonia at St Albans, and Melbourne, the

conqueror of Makedonia, takes on Slavia at Reservoir.

Dockerty Cup — 2nd Main Round
First game 1 pm, second game 2.45 pm.

Saturday
At Wembley Park: cnr Canterbury & Middleborough Rds, Box Hill. Albion Ravens v Doveton; Western Suburbs v Ringwood City.

At Middle Park: Altona City v Essendon Croatia; St Kilda Hakoah v Box Hill.

Sunday
At B.T. Connor Reserve: cnr Radford Rd & Broadhurst Ave, Reservoir. Northcote City v Sunshine City, Melbourne v Parnah Slavia.

At Green Gully Reserve: St Albans-Kelrod Road, St Albans. Juventus v George Cross; Green Gully v Maribyrnong Polonia.

Makedonia shock: Belteky the hero

MELBOURNE 1 (Belteky 106th) PRESTON Makedonia 0

MELBOURNE: E. Toth 8 - Diametris 7, P. Drinczky 8, Liu 7, T. Drinczky 8 - Bozovskii 6, Cerna 6 (Belteky 7), Kalsor 8 - Geros 6, Theodoropoulos 6 (L. Toth 68th min), Focis 7.

MAKEDONIA: Kastner 6 - Rainey 6 (Nikovsky 64th min), Hingham 6, Flavella 6, Petrovski 6 - Faulkner 7, Lesibel 6, Lucchese 6 - Cullen 6, Ward 6, Stoklos 6 (Bosch 54th min).

Referee: Marek Momont.

Melbourne substitute forward Peter Belteky scored the winning goal two minutes from the end of extra time to give Melbourne a shock upset win over giant Preston Makedonia in the Dockerty Cup.

The goal came after a rapid-fire counter attack by Melbourne, and took the team from the brink of defeat to a magnificent victory.

Makedonia was awarded a penalty by referee Momont, a harsh decision after a nudge on Gary Ward.

Ward took the penalty, but smashed his shot against the post. The rebound was punted up the field by Melbourne, and the Makedonia defence was stranded in the Melbourne half.

Gordon Flavell was the only defender on the spot, but winger Harry Focis outpaced him and crossed for Belteky to score.

It was a great achievement for Melbourne, and coach Bill Naday let everyone know his feelings. "I buy your players, we make them at Melbourne," he yelled at Preston supporters.

Tibor Drinczky did a remarkable job on Preston striker Robert Cullen, using sheer persistence to nullify the forward.

His brother Paul Drinczky was excellent at centre half, and goalkeeper Ernie Toth made many fine saves.

The resolute defending of the Second Division team frustrated Makedonia, which now must do some re-thinking after this disaster.

BOX HILL 2 (Brownlie, Taylor pen.) CROYDON 2 (Forsyth 2, including pen.), after extra time. Box Hill won 5-4 on penalties.

BOX HILL: Morgan - Roodhouse, Brownlie, Tsakalidis, Patterson - Ramos injured (McCaskie 107th min), Valentine injured (Sherman 80th min), McLeod - White, Leskovce, Taylor.

CROYDON: Edwards - Spink, McCombe, Pongho, Hobson - Doornbal (McKinlay 90th min), Howarth (Wyllie 102nd min), Murphy, Brown - Forsyth, Loughnane.

Referee: Tony Bazeleigh. Cautions: Hobson (C)

Box Hill overcame all odds to defeat arch rival Croydon City in the first main round of the Dockerty Cup.

After falling behind twice, and losing two players through injury, Box Hill mustered all its energy and spirit to fight back and eventually win the game on penalties.

Croydon's fate was sealed when Box Hill goalkeeper Graham Morgan brilliantly saved Jimmy Spink's penalty kick, after "supersub" Ray Sherman had converted for Box Hill moments before.

Box Hill held firm, and equalised when Donald Brownlie headed home.

In extra time, Croydon was awarded a penalty when Jim Wyllie was fouled. Forsyth converted, but Box Hill wasn't finished.

Helmut Leskovce forced his way into the penalty area, and was fouled. Ray Taylor coolly slotted the ball home to make it 2-2, less than five minutes from the end.

Every Box Hill player contributed to the victory, with Brownlie and George Tsakalidis brilliant players in defence, and Mike Valentine excellent in midfield.

Graham Morgan made several fine saves.

Scorers in the penalty showdown were: Box Hill — Kyle Patterson, George Tsakalidis, Greg McLeod, Don Brownlie and Ray Sherman. Croydon — Steve McCombe, Mick Edwards, Jim Wyllie and Peter Loughnane.

DOVETON 3 (Irvine 2, 82nd, 88th, Parton own goal 53rd) FRANKSTON CITY 1 (Adams 23rd).

DOVETON: Ivanoff - Marricks, Corke, Thurlow, McConville - Fokes, Bentley, Campbell - Quinn, Cherry, Irvine.

FRANKSTON City: Gilbert - Runje, Adams, Parton, Valli - Cooper, Buchanan, Rowe - Young, Wall, Campbell injured (Matinovic 10th min).

Referee: Evan Venios.

Doveton's new-look team experienced some teething problems, but still managed to defeat State League club Frankston City.

Doveton coach Danny McMinime gambled and played Alan Quinn, Steve Irvine and Arthur Cherry together up front. The trio had never before played together, and the lack of understanding was obvious.

Still, late in the game Cherry worked two beautiful passes to Irvine, who clinically converted them into goals.

The Doveton forwards weren't helped by the team's midfield, which failed to give adequate support.

Doveton wasn't cohesive as an attacking unit, but was solid in defence with Merricks,

Corke, Thurlow and McConville in top form.

Frankston grabbed the lead in the 23rd minute when a mistake by Lou Ivanoff allowed Bob Adams to head home from close range.

Frankston struggled in attack with key forward Bruce Young contained by Merricks.

The Baysiders worked on containing Doveton, and was doing a fair job until an own goal by Sean Parton in the 53rd minute.

That gave Doveton the initiative, and the team's attacking play improved after that.

Irvine's double in the space of six minutes finished Frankston.

Doveton didn't play very well, but looked more commanding than Frankston, which featured wing signing Billy Buchanan from Dandenong City.

When all the new players adjust, Doveton will be a powerful team in the First Division.

For Frankston, however, the future doesn't look too bright.

Best players: Doveton — Merricks, Corke, Thurlow. Frankston — Adams, Parton, Valli.

PRAHRAN SLAVIA 4 (Ward 18th, Griffith 24th, Ward 50th, Cullen 64th). SOUTH MELBOURNE 2 (Abraham 45th, Haupt own goal 73rd).

SLAVIA: Whitledge - Haupt, Bjelkovic, Pogorelec, Brindley (Ward half time), Cooke, Wade - McGorran, Griffith, Cullen.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: McCann - Petrakos, Kyriakoulas, Kovrovickidis, Augerakis - Abraham, Amanadidis, Stamatakos (Dossia) - Ristovski, Carr, Nicolaidis.

Prahran Slavia met strong opposition from South Melbourne, which included expensive PSL recruits Steve Carr and Mendo Ristovski.

Slavia goalkeeper Elvio Pugliese made a miraculous save early in the game, and Slavia made the most of this to beat leading 2-0 after 24 minutes.

Paul Wade and Dave Griffith both scored with headers from corners by Mick McGorran.

It was at set pieces that Slavia worried South Melbourne.

Peter Abraham reduced the arrears for South Melbourne, but Danny Ward made it 3-1 soon after. John Cullen put Slavia into a safe position with a fourth goal in the 64th minute.

However, after a free kick by Ristovski, Neville Haupt scored an own goal under pressure.



Dennis Bennett of Frankston Pines works his way past Croatia's Steve Short in last Sunday's Dockerty Cup match.

Best players for Slavia were Griffith, McGorran and Rayko Bjelica. South Melbourne's best were Abraham, Kovrovickidis and Nicolaidis.

JUVENTUS 3 (McGuinness 7th, Herry 38th, Sabadini 67th) BROADMEADOWS 0.

JUVENTUS: Fantoma - Curcio, Della Rocca, Sorrell (Lia 46th min), Sabadini - Herry, Sabidussi, Cralno - Gillan, McConville, Incanaluto (Romano 88th min).

BROADMEADOWS: Pace - Merga, Sendra, Alderson, Reardon - Nicolik, Biner, Sacco (Mizzi 63rd min) - O'Neill, Willmott, Bell (Curry 77th min).

Referee: Nick Karlich.

Defender Peter Donaldson was unable to make his debut for Juventus against Broadmeadows because of an administrative delay in processing his transfer from Green Gully.

Juventus made sure there would be no upset by taking the lead in the 7th minute. Bobby McGuinness headed home a George Gillan flick on from the near post.

The rehearsed move originated from Tony Heer's corner kick.

Broadmeadows wasted two excellent chances in the first half. Tony Belli ballooned the ball over the bar after good work by John Sendra, and then Martin Sacco made the same blunder after the ball fell to him from a free kick.

Heery made it 2-0 with a header from a Gillan cross, but later missed a penalty, which was awarded after Gerry Reardon dumped McGuinness in the penalty area.

Serge Sabadini made it 3-0 with a volley, and was delighted with his goalscoring feat. Of course, any defender loves to get the odd goal here and there.

POLONIA 2 (Krysinski 82nd, Pichner 97th) PARK RANGERS 1 (Parsons 27th) after extra time.

POLONIA: Dzieslakowski - Rachwalicki, Herman, Gawlik, Dimitriou - A. Czapiak, P. Czapiak, Lipiaraki (Szwozka 85th min) - Lukic (Korzak 80th min), Krysinski, Pichner.

PARK RANGERS: Vassiliou - McCormick (Astorino 80th min), Doggett, McLeod, Leo (sent off 105th min) - McElhinney, Parsons, Hargreaves - Dall, Scott, Ashton.

Referee: Jim Dixon.

Cautions: Gawlik (P), McLeod, Dall (PR).

Sent Off: Leo (PR).

Second Division Park Rangers came close to causing an upset, but in the end wilted in the face of a determined Polonia comeback.

Midfielder Robin Parsons put Park Rangers into the lead in the 27th minute with a long-range shot. However, before the ball entered the net it hit the bar and rebounded back onto goalkeeper Dzieslakowski, finally finding the goal.

Park Rangers looked impressive early on, with Mark Dall finding space on the wing, and midfielders Parsons and Pat McElhinney showing some fine skills.

In the centre of defence, Doggett and McLeod were good.

Polonia slowly got on top in the second half, after Park Rangers missed two good opportunities to seal the match.

Those misses became costly when Ted Krysinski equalised late in the match with a strong ground shot which bet Vassiliou, who previously had been equal to anything Polonia threw at him.

The powerful Joe Herman drove Polonia forward, and Peter Czapiak and Mike Pichner started to find space in attack.

In extra time, it was Pichner who broke the deadlock with a fine goal on the run which beat Vassiliou low to his right.

Polonia maintained its advantage, but unfortunately the game became spiteful. After a clash, Park Rangers full back Leo was sent off by referee Jim Dixon.

Best players: Polonia — Herman, P. Czapiak, Pichner, Park Rangers — Parsons, McElhinney, McLeod.

CORATIA 2 (Cumming 20th, Culina 66th) F'STON PINES 1 (Malcolm 11th) Ground: Middle Park Crowd: About 1000 (double header).

CORATIA: Blasey 7, Short 8, Gerdine 7, Kokoska 6, Blavie 6 - Murphy 6, Tront 6, Adams 7 - Cumming 9, Gilder 8, Culina 7.

FRANKSTON PINES: Stuckey 9 - Effern 7, Paulding 8, Dobbins 6, Mitchell 9 - Cameron 6 (Harrison 58th), Cairns 6 (Watson 7, half time), Ferris 7, Irvine 6 - Malcolm 7, Bennett 6.

Some brilliant defending by left back Colin Mitchell and action-packed goalkeeping by Dave Stutchbury almost enabled Frankston Pines to push this match into extra time.

The noisy Pines fans went wild when Steve Kokoska missed with a tackle and George Malcolm slammed a shot over Peter Blasey, just under the crossbar, to give Pines the lead after 11 minutes.

Stutchbury blocked Branko Culina to preserve that lead but was helpless against a well-manned header by Tommy Cumming from Carl Gilder's cross in the 20th minute.

The score remained locked at 1-1 until the 66th minute when Stutchbury scored on the volley after Stutchbury had pushed out a shot by Gilder.

Croatia was awarded a penalty when Brian Paulding missed Cumming, but Ken Murphy's spot kick hit the bar and Cumming's follow-up crashed against the post in the 52nd minute.

Croatia played without Noel Mitten (injured) and Mick Klarin (suspended).

All results

DOCKERTY CUP — First main round: Makedonia 0, Melbourne 1 (Belteky) after extra time; Juventus 3 (McGuinness, Herry, Sabadini), Broadmeadows 0; Hakoah 5 (French 3, Cullen, Rigby), Mornington 1 (Menlove); Croatia 2 (Cumming, Culina), Frankston Pines 1 (McCaskie); Albion Ravens 3, Ander 1; Sunshine 3, Bell Park 0 sent; Ringwood City 4, Dandenong 0; Croydon 2 (Forsyth 2 incl. penalty) Box Hill 2 (Brownlie, Taylor penalty); Box Hill won 5-4 on penalties; Box Hill 2 (Forsyth 2, including pen.), after extra time. Box Hill won 5-4 on penalties.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE CUP — Main round: 2, Ballarat 3, Heidelberg 0, Postal Institute 1; Greenborough 3, Nunawading 1; 2, Sunbury 4, East Brunswick 0; South Yarra 4, Hawthorn Glitzers 0; South Oakleigh 6, Clifton Hill 1; Dandenong City 2, Maribyrnong Rangers 1; Shepparton City 1, Regent 0.

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We'll reach semis with Villani, says Raskopoulos

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Australia has the talent to reach the semi-finals of the Coca-Cola World Youth Championships next year.

So says midfielder Peter Raskopoulos who backs up his claim by pointing to the talent of players like Paul Kay, Steve Blair, Ian Hunter, Vlatko Belic, Oscar Crino and Charlie Villani who is yet to be included in the squad.



Charlie Villani of Adelaide City.

"Villani should help us tremendously," says Raskopoulos, 18. "He's been out injured, but he's shown terrific form in the Adelaide City PSL team."

Raskopoulos looks forward to the proposed tour of Europe or South America late this year. The tour is intended to help mould our best youth players into a cohesive team in preparation for the world titles.

One of the key players will be Raskopoulos himself.

Transferred from Sydney Olympic to Marconi during the off-season for \$15,000 (which makes him more expensive than Eddie Krncevic), Raskopoulos has developed into a strong, intelligent midfielder after only a few seasons in senior soccer.

He could have been a good Rugby League player and indeed, he played that sport at Kingsgrove High, but eventually chose soccer instead.

He was only eight when some primary school mates persuaded him to join them at the Earlwood Wanderers junior club.

Although he was playing Rugby League in school, young Peter went on to

represent the Canterbury district and the State at junior soccer.

From there he was selected by coach Bobby McLachlan to the Australian schoolboys team that toured the U.S. and Canada in 1978.

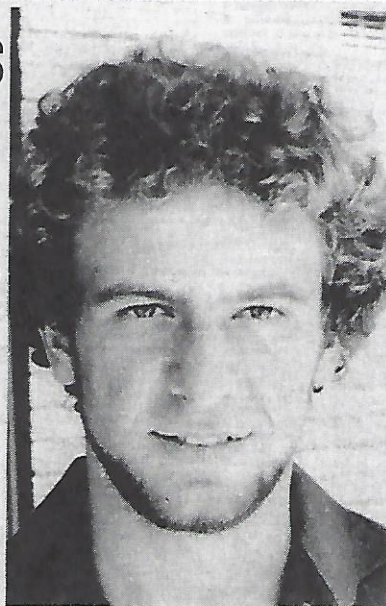
Raskopoulos scored four goals in the four tour matches and impressed McLachlan so much that he recommended the young midfielder to Rudi Gutendorf for the youth team that played World Youth Championship qualifying games in New Zealand in late 1978.

The team qualified for the next round in Paraguay but Raskopoulos had to pull out due to school examinations.

His "comeback" to representative soccer was for the Oceania Cup, which Australia won in Noumea.

Raskopoulos joined Pan Hellenic (now Sydney Olympic) Third Grade team at the age of 14 and was promoted to Second Grade the following year.

He was still only 15 when coach Kaz Kulak included him in the senior PSL team.



Peter Raskopoulos - at \$15,000, more expensive than Eddie Krncevic.

Pan Hellenic converted him into a midfielder, although he had been a striker in junior soccer, winning best and fairest awards and figuring as a leading scorer in Earlwood Wanderers' Champion of Champions triumph as under 12s.

Raskopoulos is grateful for the help coach Kulak gave him. "He had a big influence on my game, making me think quicker and boosting my confidence," Raskopoulos says.

Asked about his transfer to Marconi, he says: "At first I didn't know whether it would be a good move. I was going to Australia's leading club, a club with so many international stars. I thought it would be hard to get in with the boys, but they proved to be a great

bunch and I was able to settle pretty well."

He had a good debut on Marconi's off-season tour of Indonesia but was unhappy with his form during the Oceania Cup in Noumea. "I played well only in the final," he says.

"I was also bad in the first league match, against Sydney City, when we lost 2-1, but I reckon I played all right in our 9-0 win against Blacktown. It was a big score, but we can get even better," Raskopoulos gained his Higher School Certificate last year, and when we talked to him last week he was awaiting word about a coaching job with Marconi, in local schools.

He said Krncevic, Peter Sharne, Bertie Mariani and Tony Henderson also may coach at schools in the area.

Many parents, coaches have wrong attitude



LEIF JENSEN

Continuing with the column I started last week, let's note that indications of a win-at-all-costs attitude are shown also in the behavior of coaches and parents while watching a game of soccer.

Disrespectful behavior toward the referee by players, coaches or spectators constantly making excuses for losing or not performing well; open hostility toward the referee or players of the opposing team and comments which "rubbish" a player, coach or ref for mistakes, are all behavior which indicates that winning may be more important than how the game is played.

If winning became secondary to good play, most of the comments would concern the positive aspects of the game, constructive comments would be heard often and tolerance of mistakes would be more evident.

It the topic of conversation at club meetings is a rehash of won-lost records, this player is better than that one, or this coach beat that coach in Sunday's game, then surely a preoccupation with winning is indicated. It also appears that rules in some clubs are designed to benefit the club or its coaches, not the child.

In contrast, there are clubs that welcome parent and player participation and offer opportunities through coaching clinics and instructional material, for everyone who wishes to expand his or her knowledge and ability in soccer.

It is this kind of club that will create a positive, competitive outlook with something besides winning as the main object of competition.

For example, effort, sportsmanship, enjoying oneself and acquiring soccer skills are all worthwhile objectives.

Competition then becomes a way for the young player to explore his knowledge (by trying new things), or to test his skills without being marked as a failure if the team loses. In this context the interest is on the game and the individual, not on the outcome of the game or the effects of winning or losing.

"Playing down" the importance of winning allows coaches and players to concentrate more fully on developing the skills and attitudes that will eventually make winners of all participants.

Soccer for children is not good just because it exists... it is good only if parents, coaches, administrators and players take the time to find out just what their particular program is all about.

This includes of course becoming aware of the potential dangers and taking some action to minimize those dangers.

To do less would not be in the best interest of those playing soccer.

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STARS SET TO JOIN MAKEDONIA, CAIN BACK AT GULLY?

Government red tape has delayed the signing of three top players by State League giant Preston Makedonia.

Makedonia must wait on the Department of Immigration to make decisions on the players before they are signed by the club.

The players are Frankston City midfielder Ged Bannan, and two English players on stand-by in Britain.

Preston Makedonia president John Brannan refused to reveal the identity of the English players, but said that one was a striker and the other a midfielder.

Brannan also said: "The players come highly recommended to Preston Makedonia. One of them has Football League experience, and the other is a promising youngster."

Although the Department of Immigration is likely to grant the players clearance to join Makedonia, the approval may not come through before the kick off of the 1980 State League championship.

Preston Makedonia is drawn to play Prahran Slavia at B.T. Connor Reserve on Sunday, April 6, in the opening round. This means Makedonia has less than two weeks to secure the players for the big kick off.

The problems with the signing of the three players stems from Makedonia's "overload" of temporary visa players.

Preston currently has seven temporary visa players — far exceeding the limit of three.

This means Makedonia can legally sign only permanent residence players — whether they be from local or overseas clubs.

Bannan is on a temporary visa at present, but is expected to be granted permanent residency soon. He has been in Australia for 3½ years.

The two English players on stand-by are tradesmen, and therefore eligible to come to Australia as bona fide migrants.

This would allow them to join Preston Makedonia.

Brannan said he was hopeful of getting both English players.

It takes time to get Department of Immigration approval, said Brannan. At least one of the players will join us, if not two.

Bannan's transfer is subject to a transfer fee being paid to Frankston City. It is believed Bannan will move for \$3,000.

Bannan's first Australian club was Juventus Melbourne. He left that club for Frankston City in 1978.

Preston Makedonia defender David Garthwaite has asked for a transfer.

Garthwaite, who cost Makedonia \$2,500 from Ringwood

City in 1979, has been on the outer this season.

New coach Brian Edgley has preferred John Higham and Gordon Flavell as central defenders. Preston tried to convince Garthwaite to withdraw his transfer request, but the big defender wants to leave.

Midfielder Stuart Cunningham is expected to return from England soon after visiting his sick mother.

Low move on again

The on-again-off-again transfer of Sunshine City defender Nick Lowe to Frankston City could be on once more.

Lowe is still training with Frankston City, and the strifetown Bayside club is believed to be mounting a second bid to sign Lowe.

The Lowe saga started in February when Frankston and Sunshine agreed on a transfer fee for the former Mooroolbark sweeper.

Everything was finalised, and the signing of official documents was the only detail to be completed.

But then the Frankston administrative crisis blew up, and the proposed Lowe transfer was destroyed in the process.

The first Lowe deal was negotiated by Frankston officials, who were no longer part of the administration after the crisis.

The new administration at first vetoed the Lowe transfer. Lowe was then linked with Preston, Makedonia, and rumours suggested he would return to Sunshine City for the 1980 season.

Lowe is now back to square one, although there now seems a possibility that Frankston will buy him — depending on available finance.

Sunshine City goalkeeper Peter Clarke is in a similar situation.

Clarke, who joined Sunshine from Slavia in 1979, was training with Frankston City.

Clarke's appearance at Frankston coincided with the transfer-listing of the club's 1979 senior goalkeeper Frank Petersen.

It seems Clarke was going to replace Petersen. However, the crisis at Frankston pushed the Clarke deal into the background.

However, like Lowe, there is a chance Clarke will join Frankston City.

Sunshine president Tom Reed said this week: "Lowe and Clarke are still Sunshine players, but the club wouldn't

Victorian round-up with KYLE PATTERSON

stand in their way if they didn't want to play for Sunshine.

The Coyle brothers combination at Sunshine City has been broken up.

Neil and Brian Coyle have transferred to Preston Makedonia.

This leaves only one Coyle — Keiron — at Sunshine.

All three brothers have played first team at Sunshine City, and in one Ampol Cup game this season they made club history by appearing in the first team together for the first time.

Keiron, a forward, is the oldest of the brothers. Neil, a midfielder, is 19 and Brian, a left-sided player, is 17.

Makedonia reserves coach Eddie Azopardi has already used the two players in practice games, and is impressed.

Brian played several games in the Ampol Cup for Sunshine at left back, and was outstanding. He looked certain to win a place in the senior team for the opening Dockerty Cup games, and so his decision to quit the club was baffling.

Patterson quits Hills

Box Hill striker Scott Patterson has quit the club and joined State League team Sunshine City.

Patterson, 17, joins Sunshine City on a free clearance.

The talented youngster was one of Box Hill's key players in the first Division last season, after bursting into the first team in his first season in senior soccer.

Patterson left Box Hill after a dispute with the committee, which flatly rejected his demands that a free transfer clause be written into his contract.

However, the club had no hold on the player, so Patterson transferred to Sunshine.

Box Hill will sadly miss Patterson in the forward line, particularly now that Noel Cupido has been sidelined with a shoulder injury.

Patterson is the second promising Box Hill junior to be lost to Sunshine City.

Defender David Singleton joined Sunshine early in 1979, and since has made several appearances in the first team.

Patterson and Singleton were team mates in Box Hill's champion under 16 team of 1978 and both have represented Victoria.

Box Hill is trying to sign Melbourne midfielder Billy Rae and Nth. Dandenong forward Steve Gummia.

New boys in form

Green Gully Ajax is hoping to regain defender John Cain, who was sought by West Australian clubs Tricolour and Azura.

Cain left Melbourne for Perth during the New Year, and looked set to continue his playing career in the West.

However, Cain may now return to Melbourne to play with Green Gully.

"There is a chance he will come back, and I'd like to have him in the team," said Bobby McLachlan, Green Gully's coach.

Cain, who joined Green Gully from Prahran Slavia in 1978, missed many games last season because of a knee injury.

Green Gully's new recruits Bill Morrey and Gerry Bennett have settled in well with their new club after arriving from England. Coach McLachlan said the players were shaping up for a good season.

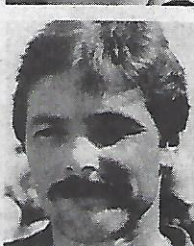
"It has taken a while for them to acclimatise," said McLachlan. "They aren't used to the humidity, and find it hard to pace themselves during a game."

However, Morrey and Bennett will get used to the weather, and once the team is settled, we should see the best of them."

McLachlan said Bennett uses the ball well, and is a classy player, and that Morrey was a "forceful" winger.

"I'm happy with their performances in training and practice matches," said McLachlan. "However, the team is not yet settled as Jimmy Dunne and perhaps Cain will be added."

McLachlan added that he would like to sign another striker from Britain, but the regu-



Green Gully's new English recruits — Bill Morrey (top) and Gerry Bennett.

lations on temporary visa players prevented this.

Keogh to Croydon

State League club Croydon City had dropped plans to sign Adelaide City winger Chris Kent, and will instead step up its bid to sign Prahran Slavia winger Jim Williams.

Williams has trained with Heidelberg Utd and Croydon, but his future is still undecided. However, he has said he will not play with Slavia this season.

Croydon has secured promising goalkeeper Sean Keogh from South Melbourne for an undisclosed fee.

Keogh, who previously played with Waverley City, was a member of the Victoria State team that won the national championship last year.

Kent is now training with Hakoah St Kilda.

Czapnik back home

Andy Czapnik has returned to Polonia after two seasons with Western Suburbs.

Czapnik previously was captain of Polonia.

"It's great to be back home," he said this week.

Czapnik, a midfielder, switched to Western Suburbs when Polonia was relegated from the State League in 1977.

Ironically, he has left Western Suburbs after playing a major role in lifting the club into the State League.

Dimopoulos wants move

Altona Gate goalkeeper Con Dimopoulos has requested a transfer.

Dimopoulos, who started his career with St Albans, has played with Altona Gate for the past two seasons.

Altona Gate was formerly known as Kellor City.

Dimopoulos can be contacted on (bus) 314 0266 or (after hours) 366 0513.

Doveton gets Quinn

Doveton has signed speedy winger Alan Quinn from Dandenong City.

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The signing of the former Albion Rovers forward is a great boost to Doveton's recruiting. The club has signed five players in the close season, and retained its hottest property, striker Steve Irvine.

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AR Split — standing left to right — K. Pericic, I. Milanovic (coach), M. Jurijovic, M. Vidic, M. Vlacovic, M. Dimac (captain), I. Grgic, H. Vulic, I. Cesljar, J. Fraizer (referee), J. Skoblar (president). Front — left to right — H. Jugovic, E. Tusek, Z. Holovka, F. Franjic, S. Rubilic, S. Matic (mascot), L. Matic.

WAGGA'S CHAMPS TO VISIT

Industrial League team AR Split will be the host when NSW team Hanwood Park visits Melbourne this weekend.

Hanwood Park hails from Wagga and plays in the Riverina First Division.

AR Split is returning the hospitality after being the guest of Hanwood Park on a visit to Wagga last November.

AR Split won the game in Wagga last November, beating Hanwood Park 3-1.

Hanwood Park gets a chance for revenge this Saturday (March 29) when it meets AR Split at Broadmeadows Technical School, kick off 3 pm.

There will be a dinner dance after the game at Fawcett Technical School, Anderson Rd. Hanwood Park has been Riverina champion three times in the past five years, and finished runner up in 1979.

AR Split has won several seven-a-side tournaments in Melbourne.

Rusmir leaves

Top coach Milenko Rusmir is no longer with Footscray JUST.

Rusmir, who was a star full back in the JUST teams of the late 1960s and early '70s, is on the outer after a reshuffle of the club's coaching staff.

Jim Kriaris is now player/coach of JUST's Second Division team, as well as being team manager of the PSL side.

Rusmir was caretaker coach of Footscray JUST in the PSL last season while the club found a replacement for Cedo Cirivovic, who resigned.

He took Footscray JUST to the State League championship in 1971, and coached Kellor Austria in the First Division.

It is likely Rusmir will be back coaching a club before long. He can be contacted on (H) 299 1668 or (B) 795 4166.

Stars in dispute

Altona City was trying this week to settle disputes with star players Peter Lewis and George Waters.

Lewis, a rugged full back, and Waters, an energetic midfielder, had been asked their club for a transfer.

Watters surprised Altona City with his transfer request, which was made after negotiations for a new contract broke down.

The new Altona committee is believed to have rejected Waters' demands, and so the former St Albans star asked for a clearance.

However, coach Joe Wilson said he was hopeful the two parties could come to an agreement.

"I don't think George really wants to leave Altona," said Wilson. "I have put forward a proposition to the committee on his behalf, and I'm hoping it will be accepted."

Croatia, who is on Altona in the New Year, and stated his intention to transfer to Essendon Croatia.

The former Sunshine City defender has trained regularly with Croatia, but his future is still undecided on the move.

He has six months left to run on his contract, and Altona used this to block the proposed transfer.

The problems are believed to have cooled Croatia's interest in Lewis, who is still undecided on his future.

"Peter came back and trained with Altona for a night," said Wilson, "but his heart wasn't in it. The club doesn't want unhappy players from signing any other 'temporary' players under Australian Soccer Federation rules."

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Boom in Latrobe Valley

The Latrobe Valley (Vic) league will have an all-time record number of senior teams this year — 10 in the First Division, 10 in Second Division, eight in Third Division and 10 reserve teams.

In addition, the Valley boasts Morwell Falcons in the Metropolitan League Second Division, Yallourn in the Metro Third Division and Moe United in the Provisional League.

Newly-affiliated clubs are Bairnsdale United, Traralgon Olympians and Falcons in the Second Division.

Waverley premier

Waverley City carried out the Victorian Women's Soccer Association lightning Premiership with a thumping 5-0 win over South Melbourne in the final.

Bev Hubbard and Gail Macquarie each scored two goals for Waverley, with an own goal completing the scoring.

In the Second Division final, the newly-affiliated Watsonia edged out Werribee 1-0 with a goal from Jackie Goodman.

The game was evenly matched, and the winning goal came in extra time.

Results of preliminary matches — Watsonia 1 Borough 0, Ring Utd 1 Springvale 3, Borough A 1 Waverley 1 (Waverley won on corners), Chadstone 1 Werribee 1 (Werribee won on corners), South Melbourne 3 Ring Utd 1, Dandenong 0 Borough 0, Werribee 1 Bendigo 0, South Melbourne 1 Springvale 0, Waverley 1 Dandenong 1 (Waverley won on corners), Bendigo 1 Chadstone 0.

The VWSA league kicks off on April 13. There will be a First and Second Division, with eight teams in each.

Any women interested in playing soccer are invited to contact VWSA secretary Betty Hoar on 467 3063.

PROVISIONAL CUP

The second round of the Provisional League Cup will be played on Saturday at 2.45 pm.

Essendon City v Hamlyn Rangers v South Oakleigh or Clifton Hill Rosedale or Melton v Berwick City or Bulleen Shepparton City or Regent v Greensborough or Nunawading United Langwarrin or Morfobloc v Hawksburn or Port Melbourne United or East Brunswick v Thornamtown or Rosanna Moe United or Ballant v South Yarra or Hawthorn Citizens Geelong or South Dandenong v Karingal or Clayton Royal Park or

North Geelong v Carlton or Boronia

The second round of the Provisional League (Reserve) Cup will be played on Saturday at 2.45 pm.

Rosanna or Bulleen v University of Melbourne or Sunbury United South Dandenong v Central Altona Berwick City or South Yarra v Royal Park or Thornamtown Hawthorn Citizens or Clayton v Postle Institute or South Oakleigh v Greensborough Langwarrin v Greensborough or Bulleen United or Hamlyn Rangers v Regent or Melton North Geelong v Moe United or Hawksburn

District quarter finals

The quarter-finals of the Victorian District League Cup will be played on Sunday at 2.45 pm.

Parkmore or Yarraville v Malm City or Diamond Creek Camberwell or Central Brunswick v Central City or Cheltenham Vermont or Burnley v Belconnen or Mordialloc v East Carlton or North Sunshine v Altona Utd. W. Melbourne or W. Brunswick

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Parkmore or Diamond Creek v Camberwell or Vermont or Yarraville v Altona United or West Geelong Cent. Brunswick, Malm City or Belconnen v Mordialloc or Mordialloc v North Melbourne or Cheltenham v W. Brunswick or Burnley/Nth. Sunshine.

AMATEUR SEMIS

The semi-finals of the Victorian Amateur League Cup will be played on Sunday at Jubilee Park, Rialty Street, Ringwood. First game at 1 pm.

1st Game: Chadstone or Meadow Park v Hove United Bulleen City 2nd Game: Maccabiah United or R.M.I.T. v Maccabiah Hakoah or Lynedale Utd.

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Beckenbauer: Is the king near the end of the road?

It was on a May day in 1977 that the New York press was introduced to the man who was to become that Summer's North American Soccer League Most Valuable Player after having been honored for the second time as the European Footballer of the Year the prior season.

The questions came at a breakneck pace as the world's greatest player politely employed his limited English in response. Only two years before had Pele stood at the rostrum, saying the same things about his desire to popularize a new sport in its last frontier.

Pele's arrival had lent the loop respectability. The credibility that Pele gave to the NASL had encouraged a new wave of signings of aging but talented stars such as George Best, Bobby Moore and Gordon Banks.

But Franz Beckenbauer was different. The press soon realized that this was the first of the great footballers to cross the ocean at the top of his game. As Pele had pioneered the path for Best, so would Beckenbauer for such world-class performers as Johan Cruyff, Trevor Francis and Teofil Cubillas.

Since that May afternoon two and a half years ago, the standard of NASL soccer has improved as markedly as Beckenbauer's English. In the interim, the Cosmos have walked to two League titles.

But it wasn't nearly as easy as it appeared. For Franz Beckenbauer, there were some major adjustments to be made. The transition meant ac-

By DAN HERBST
in "Soccer Corner," U.S.

quainting himself with the 35-yard offside rule, warmer weather, and the sometimes brutal tackling of opponents with far less skill. As if that wasn't enough, Beckenbauer had to adjust to the constantly fluctuating Cosmos line-up that contrasted to the stability of the Bayern Munich eleven.



Franz Beckenbauer concentrates as he controls the ball.

It is the transitional nature of the Cosmos that best serves to illustrate the "Kaiser's" brilliance. Only Beckenbauer and defender Carlos Alberto have managed to enter the lineup and appear right at home with their new mates virtually overnight.

In Beckenbauer's case, the transition was made all the more challenging by then Cosmos Coach Eddie Firmani's decision to utilize his talents in the midfield, a spot that he hadn't manned since his teenage years.

In his native West Germany, Beckenbauer had revolutionized the sweeper-back position with his length-of-the-pitch runs that triggered

many a Bayern counter-attack. Combining his marvelous ball skills with his ability to read the game, he so redefined the role of the sweeper in modern soccer that the position was given a new name, "libero."

The marriage of Beckenbauer to an inexperienced Cosmos backline that was predominantly American seemed a natural. But logic failed.

Unlike at Bayern, Beckenbauer's runs were often squandered by the offense and the resulting counterattacks exploited a defense unable to cover for their gifted sweeper.

Enter the missing piece to the Cosmos puzzle, Carlos Alberto. Firmani immediately moved Beckenbauer into the midfield, a spot he has occupied since. The move has generated its share of controversy.

Rumors have surfaced in the local press of Beckenbauer demanding to be moved to his more accustomed position.

Ft. Lauderdale Striker Coach Ron Newman cast a vote for Franz as a libero, calling him "the best in the world" at that position. "He isn't as effective in the midfield because of his ability to come from behind. He's much harder to mark that way," Newman concluded.

Confronted with the issue, Beckenbauer politely reiterated his oft-stated position that he "likes to play midfield," but that he "likes to play more as a sweeper." But he is quick to add, "I'm a professional and I'll play wherever they want me."

Another notable difference in his new surroundings was the inconsistency in the quality of NASL playing surfaces. Ask him what he misses most about the Bundesliga and Beckenbauer replies, "the great soccer fields of Germany."

Unlike in Europe, several NASL stadiums feature plastic carpets. Like most footballers, Beckenbauer is less than thrilled with the synthetic surface.

The Cosmos star, has even coined his own term for it. Calling it "astroficial surface," he blames the Giants Stadium variety for necessitating the first major knee injury in his long career.

Team trainer Joel Rosenstein concurs. Noting that Beckenbauer was but one of three Cosmos who suffered from "a fixed-foot, non-contact" injury, Rosenstein noted that on a synthetic pitch a "foot can stick as the body turns, causing the knee to absorb the punishment."

It was against Newman's Strikers that the problem first arose. With ten minutes remaining in the match the Cosmos were clinging to a 3-2 advantage. At that point, he suffered what is medically termed a slight tear of the medial meniscus.



Confrontation of masterminds — Franz Beckenbauer of West Germany (right) and Johan Cruyff of Holland caught up in the tension of the 1974 World Cup final.

In layman's terms, that means the interior of the cartilage was damaged. Either way the pain was significant.

Characteristically, he finished the match by anchoring the defense flawlessly to secure the win. Because the damage was relatively minor, surgery was foregone in favor of an exercise program designed to repair the knee.

But just as he was slated to reappear in the starting eleven some four weeks later, a combination of damp grounds and astroturf sabotaged the knee in practice. This time the tear was as extensive as the pain and Dr. James Nicholas was called upon to repair the injury.

To the defending champs, the absence of their leader only served to illustrate his value to the side. Without the "Kaiser" to cover for him, Alberto was noticeably reluctant to join in the attack. The Cosmos' offense suffered from predictability on more than one occasion.

Numbers tell the story best. With Beckenbauer, the Cosmos dropped but one of a dozen regular season games. Without him, they were a relatively undistinguished 13-5. For the first time since they moved to New Jersey, winning at home became a chore.

Fortunately for metropolitan area soccer fans, no man has ever worked harder to rehabilitate an injury than did Beckenbauer.

Rosenstein and Beckenbauer made a perfect team. The former constructed an extensive program which the latter followed to the letter. The sessions ranged from weight training to running with a ball in a swimming pool filled to waist height with water. Such an exercise combines simulated game action (to utilize muscles employed under match conditions) while the buoyancy of the water protects the knee.

The fact that the entire rehabilitation process of surgery to soccer took a mere seven weeks is testimony to the "Kaiser's" dedication and hard work. In all of his experience with professional athletes, the Cosmos trainer asserted that "none ever worked

harder" than did Beckenbauer.

Such habits put him in good stead in the off-season when an extensive weight training program was re-initiated to insure against future injury.

Meanwhile, the debate continues on the merits (or lack thereof) of playing the world's most popular sport on astroturf.

There is one subject on which no controversy exists: the effect of the Beckenbauer presence on his team-mates. From the most experienced international to the youngest American, the praise is as universal as it is sincere.

To fellow midfielder Terry Garbett, Beckenbauer's flawless ball skills enable him to take off-the-ball sojourns into enemy territory confident that Franz will cover for him.

Garbett marvels at Beckenbauer's talent. "Franz has the best basic skills that I have ever seen in a soccer player. It's awe-inspiring to watch him. He does the simple things so very, very well that it's frightening. He makes it look so easy. And I know that the simple thing is the hardest to do on a soccer field."

Team captain Werner Roth is in the final link to the days of Hofstra Stadium and the Cosmos' '72 title contingent. It was Roth who helped Beckenbauer learn English. In turn, Franz tutored Roth's soccer skills.

"Watching him, learning from him, and getting tips from him helped to bring together parts of my game that were lacking," Roth testified.

Young Rick Davis went from a seldom-employed substitute in '78 to the North American Player of the Year award last summer. Davis credits the tactical help of his teammates as being the key ingredient in his drastic improvement. He is quick to cite Beckenbauer as "the most helpful" of the Cosmos.

As so often happens with Beckenbauer, the highest compliment came from a coach. After the obligatory remarks concerning his skill level, ex-Cosmos

coach Firmani likened Franz to Pele in the most flattering of ways: "Pele possesses a great sense of humanity, Beckenbauer has the same."

Beckenbauer's humanity embraces both his concern for others as well as diversified interests. Unlike his fishbowl existence in Germany, his new home affords him the opportunity to attend concerts, the ballet, and have dinner in relative privacy.

As soccer has become Americanized, so has Beckenbauer. In the course of living in Manhattan he has evolved into quite a hockey fan, following New York's Rangers as closely as the European press had followed him.

Franz credits living in America with "broadening" his horizons, enabling him to "learn a new language," and meet "a lot of very kind people."

Beckenbauer has a high opinion of the Giants Stadium crowd as well. Comparing Cosmos supporters to their European counterparts, he applauds their improving knowledge of the sport, adding, "They now recognise everything."

Listening to Beckenbauer as he relaxes after a recent practice, it is obvious that his team-mates' admiration is quite mutual. Franz compares donning a Cosmos shirt to playing for "a world selection" side.

But it is one thing for a side to possess talent, it's quite another matter to become a successful team.

"Blending ten nationalities into a winning unit is difficult," Beckenbauer offered, because the "British style is different from the Brazilian style. The Brazilians like to show how they can handle the ball while the English run and kick. It's tough to get the right mixture."

But the Cosmos have obviously found the correct blend. After a mediocre and often disappointing '77 campaign, the team jelled in time to cop the crown with a dramatic playoff run that delighted the record crowds that had come to bid Pele farewell. The following summer saw

the team solidify its claim to North American supremacy with a 24-6 ledger and a second straight Soccer Bowl triumph.

All of the above should be no surprise, for winning and Beckenbauer have become synonymous over the years. The NASL honors garnered by the Cosmos join a list that includes having captained Germany to the '74 World Cup as well as leading Bayern to three European Cups, four Bundesliga titles, four German Cups, one Cup Winners' Cup, and a World club crown.

In a career filled with champagne, disappointments have been few and far between. However, the Cosmos' 7-1 loss to Bayern was an experience that Beckenbauer would just as soon forget.

Tired, injured, and with a lineup featuring four loan players on defense, the NASL champions were in no condition to challenge the San Jose Earthquakes, much less a world-class side. The severity of the loss in 1978 was a personal embarrassment to the proud Beckenbauer.

Franz recalls the circumstances of that debacle. "A long, hard season was finished and we had won the championship. Then we had a couple of exhibition games here. At that point, they (the front office) should have given us two weeks' rest and then a week of training before starting the tour. Everyone was exhausted." Noting that the tour occurred in autumn (when German teams are in peak condition), Franz added, "I warned our management but they wouldn't listen."

While the calibre of NASL play is not yet on a par with the Bundesliga, it has improved markedly in the time since Beckenbauer first joined the world's most famous team.

"When I came here I wasn't very expectful of the quality of soccer because Europeans thought it was very bad," Franz observed. "But when I arrived I was surprised at the level (of play). Now the standard is much better than two years ago," he concluded.

Beckenbauer still has one more season remaining on his Cosmos contract. Conceding that he is nearing the age when "you play more with your head than with your feet," he is leaving his options open. If his health prevails, he looks forward to playing beyond the contract's expiration.

Good news for Cosmos fans and bad news for their foes? Not necessarily.

When queried as to whether he would consider joining another NASL unit that was struggling to gain popularity, he smiled. Asserting that he will assess the future with an open mind, he stated that only returning to play in his native country has been ruled out.

What gratifications remain to be garnered by a player who has been voted footballer of the year on both sides of the ocean, collecting championship trophies for every employer along the way?

Sitting in his apartment overlooking Central Park, Beckenbauer gazes out the window from the 21st floor. Down below scores of youngsters are playing the sport he loves.

"When I first arrived, I almost never saw the children playing soccer," Franz observed. Beckenbauer turned and flashed the smile of a man enjoying the greatest satisfaction of all.



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WEST ADELAIDE



From left, standing: Gerry Chalki (coach, joined from Sydney City, 1980), Tom Tot-sikes (from juniors), John Kosmina (from Poland, 1977, back from stint with Arsenal, 1978), Shraga Topolanski (1980 from Hakoah-St. Kilda), Tom Forde Jnr (from juniors), Graham Honeyman (1977 from Sydney City), Brian Gale (from juniors), Martyn Crook (1978 from Pan Hills), Peter Tymoczyn (1978 from Poland), Howard Wells (phys-ico), Scott: Peter Boyle (1977 from Clyde, Scotland), Aldo Lorenzon (from juniors), Ian McGregor (from juniors), Steve Atkies (from juniors), Eric Carruthers (1980 from AFA, previously with West 1978), Picture by LES SHORROCK. Missing: Minicoca (1980 from Bell Mtn, Portugal), Barry Reynolds (1971 from Budapest).

• West Adelaide was founded as Olympic in 1949 by Adelaide's Greek community. Its great-est achievement was winning the Phillips League championships in 1978, under coach Jim Adam. Previously it won the 1966, 68, 69, 71, 73 and 76 State League championships, the 1964, 68, 70, 71, 72, 75 and 76 Ampol Cups and various Federation and Coca-Cola Challenge Cups. Its top players are Socrates, Martyn Crook (goalkeeper), John Kosmina (striker), and Vic Bozanic (full-back). Former international Shraga Topolanski (sweeper) and midfielder Eric Carruthers who played for Derby in England. Ian McGregor and Barry Rey-nolds are the club's longest-serving players.

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High leaping Bayern Munchen forward Karl Heinz Rummenigge, gets good clearance over Eintracht Frankfurt goalkeeper Funk in Saturday's Bundesliga match in the Munich olympic stadium. The Munich team, top of the ladder, was leading 2-0 at half time and went on to win. AP WIREPHOTO

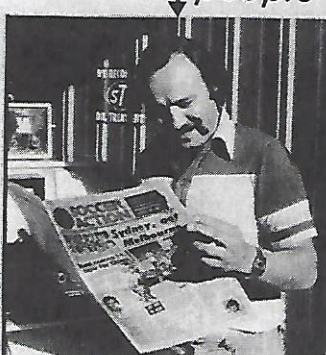
EL CLASICO SUSPENDIDO

**PELIGRO DE
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— Oscar Perea

Y SE VIENE EL CHAVALAZO — 4 a 1 Soccer people

En un campo que merece la clausura inmediata, una verguenza hacer jugar al FUT BOL en un "Chiquero", los CHAVALAZOS ganaron un partido peleado en cada POZO. El referi Sr. VAAN DEHIEZ EN varias veces dudo al pitar una falta porque sencillamente NO PODIA VER por la POLVAREDA. EL VERMONT S.C. ofrecio solo la fuerza de los equipos Italianos, el viento hizo el resto para ver un partido delucido y que deja como saldo la contundencia y la determinacion de golear de un equipo que viene pidiendo COPA. BURNLEY S.C.; LOPEZ=LETRAN GUIMAREY-F. CALLE-BUDIA-PINAS-HERNANDO ORTIZ-SAAVEDRA-J. CALLE-SAZ. En el segundo tiempo y en cambio inteligente CUENCA entro por BUDIA y salio a jugar de extremo derecho, mientras que SAAVEDRA pasaba a marcar la punta. Todo un remolino el primer tiempo. Los Italianos "arrastraon" a los CHAVALAZOS a jugar al PIN-PON en el medio del campo. Pelotas para arriba, sin presicion, solo fuerza y ganas de correr. El medio espamol no funciono y solo la solvencia de una linea de cuatro firme y segura impidio que los Italianos concretaran. Gran accion de LOPEZ que ya empieza a hacer honor a la portería que defiende.

Se fueron a los vestuarios ganando 1 a 0 por la viveza y experiencia de JUAN FURIA CALLE, que aprovecho una falla garrafal de la defensa cuando solo faltaban 35 segundos para terminar. En el segundo tiempo las cosas cambiaron porque los españoles se dieron cuenta que habia que jugar "LA NUESTRA" y no la de "ELLOS". Se paro el balon, se busco al conpanero y alli aparecio un jugador que dara muchas satisfacciones a LOS CHAVALAZOS. ORTIZ, un argentino medio campista con ganas y pulmones que se canso de llenar de pelotas a J. CALLE y M. SAZ, que se junto muy bien con PINAS y contuvo el remolino en el medio. Otra sorpresa fue el cambio muy bien hecho de CUENCA. Un jugador con años de futbol que la primera vez que toco el balon nos hizo aplaudir. Sin decirle a CUBERO-GIL lo que deben hacer, CUENCA ES EL OTRO MEDIO CAMPISTA para completar con ORTIZ y PINAS. El juego se clarifico y los CHAVALAZOS podrian haber hecho siete, por lo menos. CALLE, SAZ se comieron goles cantados y en dos oportunidades llegaron al area chica jugando de primea. Los goles, GOLAZOS. ORTIZ de media vuelta-SAZ despues de un lujo de J. CALLE y para cerrar una gran accion CALLE otra vez. En suma, los CHAVALAZOS formaron un GRAN EQUIPO. Y GOLEAN.



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JUAN "FURIA" CALLE y el "PADRINO" NEVIO TAMBONE en Johnston St. JUAN se queda en FITZROY y NEOIO pago la vuelta.

PROXIMO DOMINGO, LOCALES EN FLEMINGTON, NO FALTE.....

A raíz del informe del arbitro que dirijio al WEST MELBOURNE frente a ALTONA UNITED, la Soccer Federation resolvió suspender provisionalmente a los GAUCHOS hasta hoy a las 8 de la noche, donde el Tribunal de Penas resolverá si hay o no lugar a medidas

disciplinarias contra el equipo argentino. Es de destacar que el arbitro de dicho encuentro fue el Presidente del ALTONA UNITED ya que Referi oficial no se hizo presente. El clasico entre Gauchos y Charruas, tiene otra nota dramatica. CUANDO SE JUGARA.....???

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ZIKA NIKOLIC

"PLAVI" U GORNJEM DELU TABELE JUST nastavlja sa ugodnim iznadenjima, lako je okvalifikovan kao ekipa sa skromnim mogucnostima. Zbog nove taktike, na koju se najtete privikava Petrov, JUST ne igra lepo na oko, ali je zato efikasan. Prole subote Brisbane Lions se upecao 13 puta u ofsajd zamku, koju je postavila JUST-ova odbrana. Ranije se dogadjalo obrnuto.

Pocetak utakmice pripao je gostima. Izveli su slobodan udarac sa ivice kaznenog prostora, koji je Boland u stilu odbranio. Medjutim, ovo nije bio Bolandov dan, sto je retkost. Jedna lopta, upicena sa prilicne daljine, prosla je kroz njegove ruke i zavrsla u "plavoj" mrezi. Bio je to sok za ceo tim, ali i signal za opsti napad. Nekad bi se JUST predavao posle ovakvog slucaja. Nosilac svih JUST-ovih adicija bio je Adravko Lujic, koji je stvorio paniku u protivnickim redovima. Vec u 17. minutu JUST je vodio sa 2:1. Strelci su bili Josip Picioane i Vlatko Belic, ali je obe sanse stvorio Zdravko Lujic. Vatromet pred golom gostiju trajao je do 30. minuta, a onda su obe strane igrale negativan futbol, sto je odgovaralo "plavima", ali je nerviralo publiku. Od sredine drugog poluvremena Lujic i Vasic su doneli preokret brzim i uspesnim protivnapadima, kojima Lions nije mogao da odoli. U 60. minutu JUST je poveo sa 3:1 zahvaljujuci Lujicu, lako je strelac bio Dragan Vasic. Sudija Mellings je ostetio "plave" za cist jedanaesterac u 83. minutu, kada je golman obratio Vasicu, posto ga je ovaj presao i spremao se da sutira u prazan gol. Ovo je vazno smonenti, jer je JUST ostavio bod u Brisbane zbog poklonjenosti jedne stera domacem timu, koji se nalazio pred sigurnim porazom.

Iduce nedelje JUST igra u Adelaidi protiv Rasiccevo tima, kome ne cvetaju ruze u ovoj sezoni. Medjutim, treba se uvek cuvati ranjenog lava.

IZNADJENJA U DOCKERTY KUPU
Malerozna Makedonija doživela je drugi neuspeh u ovoj sezoni. Nije uspeala da preskoci prvu prepreku u Dockerty Kupu, lako je nadigrala borbenog i sretnog protivnika, koji je bio najvise iznaden neocekanom pobedom. Melbourne se zalavo i sretno branio, dok nije iskoristio jedinu priliku u produzetku da pobedi sa 1:0. Tre toga je Makedonija profucala desetak zutih sansi, ukuljujuci jedanaesterac u 84. minutu, koji je lose izveo Gary Ward, inace najbolji strelac Makedonije.

Croatia se provukla kroz iglene usi, lako je za protivnika imala nepoznat Frankston Pines, koja je pobedila sopstveno neiskusno Northcote je pobedio Altona Gate sa 2:1 (2:0), iako bi obrnut rezultat bio realniji, jer je Altona Gate imala zrelje sanse u drugom poluvremenu kada je igrala nizbrdo. Medjutim, lopta nije htela u mrezu. Sekula Sekulovski je cetiri puta bio sam pred golmanom, ali ga je saviadalo same jedanut, sto je bilo nedovoljno za pobedu.

Drugi tim JUST-a umalo sto nije napravio iznadenje protiv Altona City, iako je dobar deo utakmice igrao sa 10 igrača. Medjutim, sudija je priznao gol koji je postignut iz cistog ofsajda i to je uvelo Altona City u sominu finale Dockerty Kupa, gde se sastaje sa Croatia. "Plavi" su bili mnogo bolji u polju, tehnicki zreliji, ali je Altona City imala bolje sanse. Medjutim, golman Alex Vadic je bio nesavladiv i da nije bilo pomenutog ofsajda, koji ga je zadržao da ne intervenise, Altona City ne bi postigla gol. Pored Vadicica treba pohlvaliti Ljuba Talevskog, koji je odlucno odigrao ulogu centarhalfe. Pred sam kraj utakmice Sulejman Curovic je bio sebičan, inace bi JUST jedinao.

BORONIA je izbacila Carlton/Srbiju iz Provisionalnog Kupa, ali tek u produzetku, kada je pobedila sa 2:1. U regularnom vremenu rezultat je bio 1:1. Strelac za Carlton/Srbiju bio je Miladin Bjelogrić.

DISTRICT KUPOVI
Rezerva Vojvodine, koja se ova godina zove Altona United, pobedila je u prvom kolu District Kupa za rezervu West Geelong/Makedonija sa 2:1 (1:1). Protivnik je igrao bolje, ali je Vojvodina davala golove i plasirala se u cetvrt finalu ovog kupa. Strelci za Vojvodinu: Andrija Stresnjak u 25. i Miro Kolarik u 66. minutu.

U predgri su prvi timovi Vojvodine i West Geelong odigrali prijateljsku utakmicu, koja se zavrslala nerešeno 1:1 (1:0), sto je realan rezultat. Strelac za Vojvodinu Velja Dupor.

Uruguay beaten

FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL GAME: Yugoslavia 2, Uruguay 1 at Sarajevo. Goalscorers: Klincarski and Zlatko Vujovic for Yugoslavia, Primorac own-goal for Uruguay.
YUGOSLAV CHAMPIONSHIP: Second division - East: Beograd - Majdanpek 0:0, Titograd - Radnicki (K) 2:2, Pristina - Bor 2:0, Sutjeska - Radnicki (P) 4:1, Sumadija - Trepcia 0:0, Borac - Terek 1:1.
Pobeda - Dubocica 0:0, Galeb-nika - Red 1:1, Table after 17th round: Radnicki (K) and Galeb-nika 22 points, Pristina 21, etc. Second division West: Proleter - Jedinstvo 1:0, Famos - Maribor 1:2, Rudar (T) - Dinamo 2:4, Vrbas - Bosna 2:1, Rudar (V) - Novi Sad 3:1, Zagreb - Lestor 2:0, Iskra - Kinda 2:1, Istra - Spartak 2:1. Table after 18th round: Zagreb 26 points, Spartak 24, Dinamo 22, Iskra 20 etc.

Old boys' tournament

The Old Boys of Melbourne, St George, Canberra, Hungary and Adelaide Budapest will play a tournament on April 2 and 3 at Campbell Reserve, Coburg. Melbourne's senior team will meet Hawksburn on the Sunday (April 6).
Lunch and dinner will be available on both days. Matches start at 1.30pm.

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